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AMERICA'S KING OF FINANCE

J. P. MORGAN TELLS SECRET OF PANIC

Battle Between Capital and Labor Must Be Fought Out.

New York, Feb. 9.—The World this morning prints an interview with J. P. Morgan, which was given yesterday by the banker to Alexander Ular, editor of the Petit Journal of Paris. Morgan lays down the proposition that the time has come when the great battle between capital and labor must be fought out. He tells the French newspaperman that the workingman has got to learn that he cannot control industry, but must accept wages that will make honest and profitable business possible.

Morgan adds that as thousands of men are now out of work, it is better to keep them in that condition until they realize that they are powerless to prevent wage reductions. He is of the opinion that the present depression is extremely useful, and as a capitalist he does not care to see it relieved at present.

After paying a high tribute to Morgan's dominating personality, M. Ular says:

"When we talked together about the immediate causes of the recent panic, I had the strong impression that he thought the main cause was that somebody wanted a little lesson.

"'The immediate cause,' he said, 'besides certain economic conditions were various attempts at legislation.' It was sufficiently clear, of course, but it would have been ridiculous to ask Morgan if he made the panic himself. He spitefully chewed the word 'Washington,' closing his mouth with vigor, like a tiger who is just breaking the spine of a sheep, and then smiled as if satisfied with the result. Morgan has the most expressive face I have ever seen.

"He is almost as angry against the French government as against Washington. He does not understand, or he does not want to understand, why during the panic, the Bank of France refused to lend him some gold in order to mend the stringency of payment.

"'They did, what they refused to me, a week later for the Bank of England, so that the status of the bank did not restrain them at all,' he said.

"'Certainly not,' I replied. 'As a matter of fact, the chiefs of the Bank of France may do just what they like.'

"'With the authorization of the government, yes. The government refused. Don't they realize that the United is their best customer and that an attitude like this will not help to develop commercial relations?'

"Mr. Morgan would like to take vengeance on France as he did on the English bankers.

"I explained to him that in my opinion there had been some uneasiness in France as to American relations with Japan; that France had refused a loan to Japan, and felt obliged, therefore, in order to remain impartial, to refuse money to the United States.

"'That is ridiculous,' Morgan exclaimed. 'We did not want money. We just wanted metal, gold. We would have shipped it back soon. We don't want any loan. Our situation is sound. Business is sound; all is sound. We have got plenty of all we need.'

"But, in your opinion, did not the rather peculiar business methods of certain big bankers contribute to a certain extent to the outbreak of the panic?'

"'Oh, no; the panic only proved an opportunity for cleaning out the banking business.'

"Morgan seemed to me as claiming to be the sword-shaking archangel at the door of the Wall Street paradise."

TRAGEDY LED TO TRAGEDY

Newspaper Man, Brooding Over Banker's Suicide, Kills Himself.

Fort Worth, Tex., Feb. 10.—L. C. Hutchins, 50 years old, second vice president of the Fort Worth National bank, committed suicide yesterday by shooting himself.

Brooding over the suicide of Banker Hutchins, a man he did not know, Eric C. Campbell, 38 years old, shot and killed himself at a local hotel last night. Campbell was a son of the Rev. Dr. R. De Campbell, a noted Baptist divine, and had practiced law in Dallas for many years. He formerly edited several newspapers in Mississippi. Today he called on Hunt McCaleb an old newspaper friend, and discussed the suicide of Banker Hutchins. He later went to a hotel and wrote a note asking that McCaleb be notified of what he had done.

He leaves a widow and a six-year-old son in Dallas.

SUSPENDED BANK RE-OPENS.

New York, Feb. 10.—The First National Bank of Brooklyn, which closed on October 25th last, re-opened for business to-day. Since its closing the bank has been in the hands of a receiver. A deficiency of $165,000 which existed when the bank suspended has been made good by the stockholders.

THIRTY-NINE MILES AN HOUR.

New Yorker Building Motor Boat to Defend British International Cup.

New York, Feb. 10.—C. C. Wheeler is building a motor boat for the purpose of defending the British international cup, which was won last year by the Dixis, and has been challenged for by the British Motor Boat Club.

The new boat is 26 feet long, 4 feet 10 inches beam, and 2 feet 8 inches draught. It will carry a 6-cylinder motor of 110 horse power, and will have an assured speed of 39 miles an hour.

WILL KILL ALL WILD HORSES.

Fifteen Thousand in Nevada Reserves to Be Destroyed.

Reno, Nev., Feb. 10.—Orders have been received from the forestry department instructing the rangers of the Toyabe To Toquima and the Koultor reserves, in Lander county, to kill all wild horses found on the government domain. There are about 15,000 wild horses on the reserves. They are doing much damage to vegetation and attracting domestic animals to their herd.

HILL SAYS PUT STOP TO GHOST DANCING

Great "J. J." Would Not Predict Period of Industrial Depression.

New York, Feb. 8.—James J. Hill, chairman of the board of the Great Northern railroad, arrived in New York yesterday from St. Paul and stated that the coming summer would show a decrease in railroad earnings over last summer.

"I am not so much of an optimist," he said, "as to predict that railroad earnings this summer will not be below those of last summer. I am sure that they will be. But there are more people in this country to-day than ever before, and they are people of fair intelligence. What the country needs now is a rest. Let it have rest and let a stop be put to this ghost dancing and everything will work out all right.

"Things are quiet enough everywhere, but up in the Northwest we are feeling it less than in some other places. We have no large industrial concerns there, and the farmers will plant as much wheat as ever. I should say that the percentage of idle equipment on the Great Northern was somewhat less than the percentage reported to be idle on the roads of the country as a whole."

Commenting on the earnings of the Great Northern, which a few days ago reported a large increase in gross for the month of January, Mr. Hill said that it had to be borne in mind that comparison was being made with the same period last year, when the road was greatly handicapped by an unusually severe winter.

Hill, in reply to questions, said that he could not foresee how long present conditions would last.

"If I knew," he said, "I would be glad to tell you. But I canont predict how long it will be before things right themselves."

ANOTHER MOVE BY EX-DICTATOR

Senhor Franco Suddenly Departs from Bordeaux to Marseilles.

Bordeaux, Feb. 10.—Senhor Franco, the ex-premier of Portugal, with his wife and son, left this city by train at 7.43 this morning for Marseilles. The departure was made suddenly, the hotel authorities being notified of the step at the last moment.

It was twenty minutes before train time when Senhor Franco unexpectedly requested his bill from the hotel manager. The time was so short that the hotel porters had to work rapidly to get the baggage of the Franco party to the station in time. Senhor Franco appears rested from this stay here. He is less depressed, and walked over to the train at a quick step. The former premier was accompanied by French detectives, but there were no others to see him off.

MARRIED COUPLE ARE MISSING

Mr. and Mrs. L. Ashman May Be Drowned in Eucelataw Rapids.

(Special to the Times.)

Vancouver, Feb. 10.—Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Ashman are believed to have been drowned in Euclataw rapids last Thursday.

The Ashmans left in a rowboat to go through the narrows at slack tide. They have not been seen since, nor has any trace of their boat been found.

OLD AGE PENSIONS.

Ralph Smith Appointed a Member of Committee.

Ottawa, Ont., Feb. 10.—Ralph Smith has been appointed a member of the old age pensions committee.

Mr. Maclean, of South Huron, was introduced in the House to-day.

GREAT OCEAN YACHT RACE

OVER COURSE THAT COLUMBUS SAILED

Spain Organising Contest—American Clubs Will Compete.

Boston, Mass., Feb. 10.—An international ocean yacht race on an historic course from Palos, Spain, to the Canary Islands over which Christopher Columbus sailed on the first stage of his voyage to the new world, has been arranged for next summer by the yachtsmen of Spain, according to advices received here by the members of the Eastern Yacht Club.

All the yacht clubs of North and South America will be invited to join with the Spanish and it is possible that European clubs may also be asked to participate, but at present it is intended to confine the race to those countries directly benefitted by the discoveries of Columbus.

The event had its initiative with the Royal Mediterranean Yacht Club of Malaga, and its suggestion to the authorities of the city of Palos that the race be started from that port, met a ready and cordial response. It is expected that King Alfonso will witness the start and receive the visiting yachtsmen before they leave on their voyage. Although the course like that of the New York-Bermuda contest last year is straightaway, due southwest, the yachts will have more favorable winds and better weather than is usually experienced on this side of the Atlantic.

PORTUGUESE FLEET FOR NEWFOUNDLAND

Startling Development Will Further Complicate the Modus Vivendi.

Bay Roberts, Nfld., Feb. 8.—A startling development in the codfishery on the Grand Banks is likely to be witnessed during the coming season, it being learned by reliable advices from Oporto, that a fleet of 35 Portuguese vessels is fitting out for the fishery off this coast and the Southern Banks.

The Portuguese have always maintained a fleet of 10 or 12 vessels on the Grand Banks, but lately a large number of Portuguese fishermen, who had been sailing out of Gloucester for some years, and learned how to conduct the fishery in the manner peculiar to that port, are now returning to their own country, and obtaining vessels with which to fish on the Grand Banks, according to American methods.

The old lumbering barques and square riggers common to the French and Basque coasts are being discarded and trim schooners substituted. This fleet will it is feared prove a serious competitor against Newfoundland fishermen, and will become all the more so because if they are successful, it is probable that their number will be enlarged.

Another menace to the present conduct of the fishery by natives and their western neighbors, is that the fleet of beam trawlers from France will be largely increased this year. Last year only three ships of this class were sent out, but they did so well that it is expected the number will be multiplied many times during the coming season. The vessels now go to the west coast of Africa a distance of 1,400 miles and securing the catch fresh, pack it nicely and bring it home to Lisbon, though a much more tropical atmosphere than it would meet between Portugal and the Grand Banks. The African voyage involves a run of 1,400 miles and they believe that they could be just as satisfactory in transferring their operations to the Grand Banks.

The number of the St. Pierre people concerned are going into this branch of the business and operating from St. Malo and other Breton ports, and abandoning St. Pierre, and it looks as if a revolution in the Grand Bank fisheries was very near at hand.

KILLED IN COLLISION.

Operator Responsible for New York Smash-up, Disappears.

Olean, N. Y., Feb. 10.—Two freight trains on the Pennsylvania railroad collided head-on in East Olean yesterday. Engineer Cook was crushed to death under his engine and his fireman, G. Shaffer, of Olean and Edward A. Troy, of Buffalo, were badly injured.

Officials of the company at Buffalo say the accident was due to the failure of Operator Botsford, at Portville, to carry out orders to hold one of the trains at Portville. Botsford has not been seen since the wreck.

CUNARD AND THE MAILS.

Great Atlantic Steamship Company Secures Contract Until 1928.

London, Feb. 10.—A special dispatch to the Daily News from Queenstown says that the British post office has made a new contract with the Cunard Steamship Company to carry mails between Liverpool and New York until 1928.

"ARMY" IMMIGRANTS.

Commissioner Coombes Replies to Toronto Trades and Labor Council.

Toronto, Feb. 8.—In reply to a resolution passed by the trades and labor council censuring the Salvation Army and the Canadian Manufacturers' Association for flooding the country with immigrants, for whom no employment could be found, Commissioner Coombs, on behalf of the Army, says that during January they had 900 applications for farm help in Ontario alone.

Secretary Murray, of the C. M. A., says the association has not offered any general inducements for bringing out men to this country. All the men brought out by the C. M. A. have been placed in positions.

CHILD VICTIM OF FIRE.

Montreal, Feb. 8.—Rosa Solomon, six years of age, set fire to her clothing with a candle at her home to-day, and is now dying in the hospital. Her father and a boarder, who assisted in trying to smother the flames were seriously burnt.

TWO KILLED AT FAMILY REUNION

Explosion in Philadelphia Home Brings Entertainment to Tragic Conclusion.

Philadelphia, Pa., Feb. 10.—The explosion of an oil stove in the home of Walter Clifford, where a small family reunion was being held yesterday in the northeast section of the city, resulted in the death of Mrs. Jennie Thomas and Mrs. Minnie Clifford and the serious injury of the other persons.

Mrs. Clifford was entertaining friends at the piano when the stove exploded, throwing oil over Mrs. Thos. and Mrs. Clifford, the former dying shortly after being admitted to a hospital, and the latter died early this morning. Walter and Ernest Clifford were painfully burned.

SORDID MURDER IN NEW YORK

Tenderloin Girl Killed in Street Car With Revolver—Assassin Escaped.

New York, Feb. 10.—A girl of the tenderloin known to her companions only as "Queenie," about 27 years of age, and decidedly pretty, was shot and almost instantly killed while riding on a northbound Second Avenue car at Eighth street early to-day. A young man who was sitting opposite the girl in the car, fired the shot, the police say, and then made his escape.

So far, the only clue of the police is that the murderer had a light overcoat. Two girls who said they were Mabel Cousins, of Lyndhurst, N. J., and Helen Sullivan, of this city, and the motorman and conductor of the car have been detained as witnesses.

Queenie and the two other girls, accompanied by two young men, one of whom wore the grey overcoat, boarded the car at Brooklyn bridge. At first the men sat across the aisle from the girls, but soon the man in the black overcoat crossed over and sat between Queenie and the Cousins girl and at the same time the man in the grey overcoat asked Queenie to come over and sit by him. She refused, and he reached for her and tried to pull her out of her seat. While they were struggling the Cousins girl stealthily reached for his watch and fob. They were found in her possession at the police station.

Just what caused the shooting has not yet been learned. Those who were on the car say that the first intimation they had of any serious trouble was when they heard a shot and looked around to see the man in the grey coat standing with a revolver partly concealed by a handkerchief held in his hand. Queenie had half risen from her seat with her hand pressed to her breast, and as the man with the revolver dashed from the car, she toppled over to the floor dead. The other man made his escape. The Cousins and Sullivan girls declared they know nothing of the men, and know very little about the dead girl.

PREFERENCE, SLOGAN OF TARIFF REFORM

Essential Plank of Platform in Old Country Propaganda.

Montreal, Feb. 8.—A special London cable says: The most significant feature of the enthusiastic proceedings at the Tariff Reform League yesterday was the unceremonious way in which the delegates from all parts of the Kingdom rejected the suggestion that the preference side of the movement be postponed until the present British food taxes can be replaced by taxes on manufactured imports.

The delegates insisted by an overwhelming majority that the preference was a vital and essential part of the policy. The chairman announced that every member of the Chamberlain executive would resign if any attempt to remove preference from the forefront of the programme were made.

BOMB WIRES IN CZAR'S PALACE

WOULD HAVE BLOWN UP ENTIRE BUILDING

Emperor is Frightened at Discovery of Dastardly Act.

London, Feb. 10.—The Paris correspondent of the Central News in a dispatch says that word has reached the French capital of the discovery by the Empress of Russia of a terrorist warning in the Czarevitch's bed, stating that the Czar and Czarevitch have been sentenced to death.

Secret police found a network of electric wires connected with seventeen powerful bombs placed at distant points in the palace. A single operator would have been able to blow up the entire palace.

The discovery of the plot, it is said, has greatly frightened the Czar. He is again in an exceedingly nervous state.

It is now generally credited that there are several revolutionaries among the servants in the palace.

DESPONDENCY THE CAUSE.

Englishman Hangs Himself in Kingston.

(Special to the Times)

Kingston, Feb. 10.—Thomas G. Baker, an Englishman 35 years of age, hanged himself in his kitchen this morning where he was found by his children. Despondency over hardships is said to have been the cause. He came from England a year ago. Deceased leaves a widow and five children.

ACTIVE WORK ON ALBERNI END OF LINE

The Contract Has Been Let and Camps are Being Established.

Within the next few days the work of clearing the right of way out of New Alberni toward Nanaimo will be commenced, the contract for the first 9½ miles having been let to A. Carmichael, of Vancouver, by the C. P. R. A camp has been installed four and a half miles from New Alberni and another will be built next week. Some sixty men will be employed and already this number has been secured.

In connection with this clearing work, at least as far as the above contract is concerned, only white labor will be employed. Mr. Carmichael has announced his intention of not engaging a single yellow man in connection with the work.

The clearing work out of Alberni will occupy until the end of May. Contracts have been let for the entire clearing on the E. & N. extension line, and within the next few days active work will be carried on from New Alberni to Nanaimo. The actual construction of the line will begin next summer, and by September 1909 the additional spur on the E. & N. Railway will be in commission.

ANOTHER U. S. FAILURE.

Manufacturing Firm of New York With Capital of $3,000,000 in Hands of Receiver.

New York, Feb. 8.—The appointment of Richard H. Colwell as receiver of the Hardware and Woodenware Manufacturing Company, a $3,000,000 corporation, which owns and operates sixteen hardware and toy manufacturing plants in Connecticut, Rhode Island and Missouri, was announced, to-day.

The firm's embarrassment is said to have been due to the contraction of its bank credits during the recent financial stringency. A plan for resuming business is under consideration.

HIS WIFE WAS VICTIM.

Married Couple Found Unconscious in Eight Feet of Snow.

Montreal, Feb. 8.—Mrs. R. Robidoux, who battled with a blizzard for two days and two nights, together with her husband, at their home in St. Jovite, Que., died in Notre Dame hospital today.

The woman was frozen from head to foot, and no hope whatever was entertained for her recovery from the very first. The couple were found in eight feet of snow, and were unconscious. Robidoux, though badly frozen, will recover.

BANKER'S SUICIDE.

San Antonio, Tex., Feb. 10.—C. A. Beansley, president of the American Bank and Trust Co. at Houston, Tex., and until recently president of the Texas Bankers' Association, shot and killed himself late yesterday. He had been in San Antonio for the last five weeks. Ill-health is believed to be the cause of the act.

RAILWAY OFFICIAL DEAD.

Philadelphia, Pa., Feb. 10.—Richard Tull, treasurer of the Philadelphia & Reading Railway Company, the Reading Coal & Iron Co., and the Philadelphia belt line railroad, died at his home yesterday, aged 56 years.

RANCHER'S HOME DESTROYED.

Defective Flue Caused Fire in Dwelling House Near Grand Forks.

(Special Correspondence).

Grand Forks, Feb. 6.—Last evening about 6 o'clock fire broke out in the dwelling house of Peter de Wilde, a rancher who lives on the Johnson ranch just one mile east of Grand Forks. The dwelling and most of the contents were entirely consumed, including about $300 worth of seed oats. A defective flue is supposed to have been the origin of the fire. The total damage done is said to exceed $1,000.

NOT ONCE DEFEATED.

Alfred Shrub Back in England With New Laurels.

London, Feb. 10.—After a successful Canadian and American tour, in which he was not once defeated, Alfred Shrubb, the world's record holder and ex-amateur champion runner, has arrived in England.

TIMBER INDUSTRIES AT KETTLE RIVER

Several Saw Mills Will Be Erected This Spring in Neighborhood.

(Special Correspondence).

Grand Forks, Feb. 6.—Great advancement is now about to be made in the timber industry on the north fork of Kettle River. At present plans are under consideration by strong Eastern companies which will revolutionize matters on the North Fork river. The fact that the provincial government has prohibited any more staking of timber lands has considerably increased the value of the timber limits already secured. The Kettle Valley line railway already completed to Lynch Creek, a distance of 20 miles, will, when completed to Franklin camp, next fall, furnish transportation facilities for all the available lumber on the extensive limits. The north fork river itself, a good drivable stream, can carry the logs to any desired point. The extension of the government wagon road to Franklin camp this year will furnish additional facilities for the opening up of these timber limits.

It is the feeling of the public that the provincial government should assist in every way this great industry. It has been estimated that there is at least five hundred million feet of good saw timber between Grand Forks and Franklin camp. Most of this timber is white pine, fir, tamarack and spruce. On several of these large groups of limits big sawmills will be erected this spring, giving employment to scores of men. Grand Forks will come in for its own share of the prosperity of the north fork, as it is the natural supply point for all the northern timber camps. The continued high price of lumber is acting as a strong stimulant for the mill owners pushing forward in this profitable timber industry.

CHUTE ACCIDENT AT LADYSMITH

Man Fell Forty Feet Through Space, Grazing Ship's Hull.

(Special Correspondence).

Ladysmith, Feb. 8.—An accident occurred at the Wellington Colliery Company's wharves yesterday by which a man named Morton sustained serious injuries and only escaped death by a miracle. Morton, with some more workmen, was cleaning out a chute and renewing the top cover. The work was almost completed, when suddenly he lost his footing and slipped down the chute.

From the mouth of the chute to the water is a sheer drop of forty feet, and right underneath the big steamer Nordenskjold is loading coal. Between the side of the vessel there is a bare two feet of space, and the gap was all that stood between Morton and instant annihilation.

Luckily, he fell clear, merely grazing the hull of the ship, and splashed into the icy waters of the bay. He couldn't swim, but managed to splash around until assistance reached him. Then he collapsed, and it was some time before he regained consciousness. He was then conveyed to his residence on Third avenue, and, although no untoward symptoms have as yet developed, he is still in a very serious condition.

CAPE LAZO WIRELESS STATION NOW WORKING

Capt. Gauden Has Been Informed That it is in Commission.

The whole of the circle of wireless stations on this coast are now in working order. Cape Lazo is the last to report ready for service. Capt. Gaudin, agent of marine and fisheries, has received a message by way of Point Grey to the effect that Cape Lazo station is now in communication.

The usefulness of these stations established as aids to navigation, have already been proved. With the stations at Victoria, Point Grey, Cape Lazo, Pachena and Estevan, Vancouver Island, is well provided with the means for quick transmition of information.

WATER SUPPLY FOR SUBURBS

SAANICH AND OAK BAY CONSIDERED IT

The Adjoining Municipalities Want City Compelled to Give Reasonable Rate.

Committees representing the municipalities of South Saanich and Oak Bay recently met to discuss the question of having a separate water supply, independent of the city of Victoria, but their efforts to come to a satisfactory understanding proved abortive. The representatives were from South Saanich: Reeve Quick and Councillors Pointer and Mannix, and from Oak Bay, Reeve Oliver and Councillors Noble, Fernie, Newton, Henderson and McGregor.

At the regular meeting of the South Saanich municipal council on Saturday night, Reeve Quick presented a report of the proceedings. The Oak Bay council, the report stated, was of the opinion that water from the Esquimalt waterworks should be obtained, and this source was discussed at length. It was thought possible to lay a pipe line from Goldstream to a point on the Oak Bay boundary from which distribution could be made, and the South Saanich district could fix on their own distributing point as the pipe would pass through the municipality. It was soon seen that the cost of this scheme was prohibitive, it not being able to do this at a less amount than $50,000. This was considered too large an amount altogether. Three hours' discussion then followed and the following resolution was passed:

"Resolved, that to make the quality of the Elk lake water supply satisfactory it is necessary in the opinion of this meeting:

(1). That Beaver lake be abolished as any part of the reservoir system;

(2). That the main be taken from the centre of Elk lake proper, where the springs are."

A resolution was also passed requesting the provincial government to protect the rights of both the Oak Bay and South Saanich municipalities, and asking them to insert a condition in the charter to be granted to the city of Victoria, to the effect that they shall supply all parties outside the city limits to a reasonable distance with water at a fixed minimum rate. It was stated by Reeve Quick that although the city's right to follow Expert Arthur Adams' suggestion to enlarge the watershed of Elk lake had been denied, he had made enquiries of the provincial government and had been informed that the city of Victoria had exclusive right to any service within 20 miles radius. This right was granted by the government 35 years ago and put a block on any movement of the two municipalities to obtain their own source of supply. Victoria had already laid claim to the sources of an adequate water supply within the radius allowed and Reeve Quick thought that either municipality would be unable to find any new supply. With these setbacks the conference could accomplish nothing, and their only course was to make application to the city of Victoria to supply out-of-town users with water at a reasonably cheap rate. It was thought that both South Saanich and Oak Bay municipalities deserved some consideration and this matter will be taken up with the city.

Several minor questions also came up for discussion.

Luney Bros., of Victoria, wrote asking the council if they would sell or rent the old rock crusher. The firm will be notified that the crusher is neither for sale nor rent.

R. Fowler wrote asking permission to construct a drain 350 yards in length on Burn avenue. The request was granted.

G. R. Ringland, W. T. Hill and Wm. Holmes wrote requesting the council to give immediate attention to the road running between their properties in section 71, lots 1, 2 and 3. It was stated that the road was almost impassable. The road superintendent was notified to fix the road temporarily.

A letter from F. Van Sant representing the Victoria Terminal Railway & Ferry Company, requesting the postponement of the repair work on the crossing on Topaz avenue on account of the weather. The council could see no reason why the wet clay should materially retard the work and requested Mr. Van Sant to proceed with the work at once.

The request from the municipal clerk, Mr. Carmichael, asking for an advance in salary from $85.00 to $100.00 per month was unanimously granted.

Constable J. J. Russell's monthly report showed a light list of delinquents and $315.00 collected for licenses.

J. Irvine wrote complaining that the road shown on plans 799 and 880 of section 31, Lake district, had been closed by a neighbor. The matter was referred to the road superintendent with power to act.

The road superintendent's report showed money spent to amount of $179.60 during January.

It was decided to hold the meetings in future during the afternoons to accommodate those who have to come longer distances. The next meeting will be held on February 22nd, at 2 p. m.

The annual loan by-law was given its final reading. It provides for the borrowing of $10,000 until such time as the revenue can be collected. Reeve Quick reported that the bank had allowed a six per cent rate, the same as last year.

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BRITISH FLEET FOR ESQUIMALT

Admiralty Order to Fourth Cruiser Squadron—To Arrive About May 1.

Special to the Times.

Halifax, Feb. 10.—Great Britain has ordered her famous fourth cruiser squadron of eleven warships to Esquimalt.

No explanation of the English reason for sending the big fleet to the most westerly sea frontier of the Empire is vouchsafed by the admiralty.

The present will prove the strongest fleet she has ever marshalled in American waters. The fourth squadron consists of the Indefatigable, Brilliant, Cressy, Euryalus and Hogue, with six other cruisers of the County type, all comparatively modern and each equipped with twelve 9-inch guns and twelve 6-inch guns, besides subsidiary armaments.

Advices say that the transfer of the fleet to Esquimalt will be made leisurely, in the same manner, on a small scale, as that in which the American Atlantic fleet is now pursuing its course to San Francisco and Manila. Unless untoward events change the Admiralty's plans in the meantime the fleet will arrive at Esquimalt about May 1st.

On its face, the Esquimalt propaganda is to be described as nothing more portentious or menacing than the revival of the British Pacific squadron. This squadron was abolished four years ago when Sir John Fisher signalized his accession to the Admiralty by the adoption of a policy of naval concentration and withdrew both the little squadron that had lain at Esquimalt and the Atlantic squadron from Halifax. But it is pointed out that no plans are mentioned for the revival of the Atlantic squadron at Halifax.

The British naval organ here, in a fervid editorial on the plan, says that the government and Admiralty are to be congratulated upon their decision to send a powerful fleet to Esquimalt.

Eight years ago, when a similar move was made by England the United States congress passed resolutions calling upon the navy department for information of England's intentions and the mere fortification of Esquimalt harbor was made the subject of a diplomatic representation between Washington and London. At that time the English naval force at Esquimalt consisted of one cruiser, a dispatch boat and two torpedo boat destroyers. Most of the furor was caused by the mounting of sixteen disappearing guns within the fort.

ANOTHER COLLAPSE.

Fifty Year Old Michigan Bank Is No More.

Detroit, Mich., Feb. 8.—A bulletin to the Free Press from Dowagiac, Mich., says: Announcement was made tonight that the City Bank of Dowagiac will not open for business on Monday. The bank is capitalized at $50,000. Since it became a private bank, four years ago, the City Bank had been doing business under the name of Lyle, Gae & Co. Frank W. Lyle is president. The bank was established nearly fifty years ago.

KILLED BY BLOW OF FIST.

Portland, Me., Feb. 10.—Jeremiah E. McCarthy, formerly a prosperous contractor in Roxbury, Mass., was arrested yesterday on the charge of manslaughter on account of the death of Arthur Norton.

Both men were employed at the large farm of Col. H. N. Castner, a member of the staff of G. Cobb, the proprietor of a hotel here. The two men quarrelled yesterday about their duties at the farm, and it is said that McCarthy knocked Norton down with a blow of his fist, fracturing his skull. Norton died in the ambulance on his way to the hospital. He was sixty years old.

LIABILITIES $400,000.

Berlin, Feb. 7.—Sigmund Friedburg, a private banker, and owner of the financial newspaper, the Investor's Adviser, has disappeared. It is said that he has liabilities amounting to $400,000.

"LORD HAVE MERCY."

Ejaculation of Parricide Standing By His Father's Coffin.

Jackson, Ky., Feb. 8.—Beech Hargis, who shot and killed his father, Judge James Hargis, on Thursday, was permitted to-day to stand by the coffin and look at the face of the dead.

Turning away with smothered sobs, the son knelt by the body, and murmured, "Lord, have mercy." While he was kneeling his mother came into the room and fell by his side. They remained for only a short time, when the son returned to the jail. He did not attend the funeral, which was set for early afternoon.

WILL TAKE SALMON.

Den of Rutheven Should Arrive Here To-morrow.

The Alley liner Den of Rutheven is expected to arrive here to-morrow to load cargo for the south seas. She is expected to leave Vancouver to-day for Chemainus where a quantity of lumber will be taken on board.

There is a large consignment of canned salmon awaiting at the outer wharf to go on board the Den of Rutheven. The vessel will call at Suva and then proceed to New Zealand.

—To-morow at 8 o'clock the annual congregational meeting of St. Paul's church, Victoria West, will be held.

Rev. A. Thompson Miller leaves today by the Chippewa and Northern Pacific for Denver, Colorado.

Tommy Burns Beats Palmer

London, Feb. 10.—At Wonderland music hall to-night Tommy Burns (Canada) defeated Jack Palmer (Newcastle) in a boxing contest. Palmer was knocked out in the fourth round.

DISASTROUS FIRE IN COBALT DISTRICT

Forty Thousand Dollar Hotel Ruined in Latchford Conflagration.

Cobalt, Feb. 10.—For the second time in its existence the town of Latchford has been visited by a fearful fire shortly after midnight. The fire broke out and it raged fiercely all night.

The big hotel, the King Edward, valued at $40,000, was totally destroyed. Flames spread to the adjoining hotel Alexandra, and it is in ruins; also stores of the town, the Empire Humber Company office and half a dozen shacks.

CAPITALISTS BACK FROM NORTHERN TRIP

Princess Beatrice Has Returned With Party That Inspected Coal and Timber.

The steamer Princess Beatrice has returned to port after having been under special charter to A. J. Earling, president of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul railway, and a party of capitalists from Chicago and other points.

While the exact purposes of the party have not been announced, it is known that they were looking into coal propositions. It is reported that the coal experts have reported against measures held on Queen Charlotte Islands.

President Earling then announced that Prince Rupert would make a fine terminus for the G. T. P.

Other interests represented look to the building of a sawmill to cost $400,000 on Moresby Island, looking to a market in connection with the G. T. P.

KAGA MARU RELEASED.

Steamship Reached Outer Wharf Yesterday—Has Gone to Seattle.

The Nippon Yusen Kaisha steamship Kaga Maru was released from quarantine yesterday morning and tied up at the outer wharf about 8 o'clock. Mr. Yada, the new Japanese consul for Vancouver, and his party of seven, landed here and are now guests at the "Empress," where they will remain until they go on to Vancouver. Most of the officers of the steamer, and 51 of the crew, assisted by some picked up here, brought the liner in to the wharf and will proceed with her to Seattle.

The Kaga Maru left for the Sound at 4.45 in the afternoon, having on board 12 first-class passengers for Seattle.

There remained at William Head quarantine station about 300, made up of members of the crew and steerage and part of the second-class passengers. These will be detained until all danger of an outbreak of smallpox has passed.

Up to the present only one case and that a very mild one, has developed. With the 300 detained the accommodation at quarantine is well taken up.

UMATILLA ARRIVED.

The Steamer Brought the Usual Complement of Passengers and Freight.

The steamer Umatilla, from San Francisco, arrived at this port last evening about 9 o'clock. The vessel brought her usual complement of passengers and freight. There were in all 59 first class passengers on board and 79 second class, making a total of 138 in all.

At Victoria the following first class travelers landed: D. McDonald, Mrs. A. Newham, Albert Newham, Mrs. E. Nichols, J. A. Balser, J. G. Purden, George Crapper, Annie Morrison, Jos. Holler, Mrs. G. Holler, Jos. House and W. J. House.

There were 21 second class passengers landed here also.

MARINE NOTES.

The following passengers are booked to leave by the Tees for points on the west coast: Mr. and Mrs. Findlay, Miss Perkins, W. J. Elmendorf, Mr. and Mrs. McMillan, B. W. Bailey, T. T. Pierson, C. Jacobsen, W. Moore, G. H. Hall, Mrs. Drew, Mrs. Ellis, Mr. and Mrs. J. Donohue, H. A. Kennedy and Messrs. Henley, McCaul, Smith, Riley, Moorehead, Akermann, Knudsen, Arnett and McConibel. The Tees will leave this evening.

The Canadian-Mexican liner Lonsdale left last night about 9 o'clock for the Mexican coast ports. She had six saloon passengers and a number of steerage passengers, including several deported Japanese. A full cargo was carried and even the deck was utilized for lumber. The sister ship Georgia is expected from the south on the 21st inst.

The steamer Puebla, on her way to San Francisco, passed out on Saturday night.

The steamer City of Nanaimo discharged about 50 tons of fertilizer from the whaling station at Page's Lagoon on her week-end trip from Nanaimo.

QUEBEC BATTLEFIELDS.

Ottawa, Feb. 10.—Premier Gouim and the Hon. Mr. Turgeon, of the Quebec government, are here interviewing the government with the view of getting a grant in the estimates for the battlefields' memorial project. Earl Grey said that about $300,000 will be voted for this purpose.

AN ADMIRALTY CASE IN COURT

SETTLING ACCOUNTS BETWEEN STEAMBOATS

Evidence as to the Services Rendered Otter by Tug Pilot.

In the Admiralty court this morning before Mr. Justice Martin, the case of Dunsmuir vs. the steamer Otter was commenced. The captain of the tug Pilot and several others officers gave evidence for the plaintiffs, and the captain of the Otter for the defence.

E. V. Bodwell, K. C., in opening the proceedings, stated this was a salvage case. On September 27th the steamer Otter went on Danger reef near Ladysmith. She was partly on the reef and filled rapidly. The tug Pilot came along and stood by until requested to pull her off. She had 6 feet of water in her engine room at the time of being pulled off. She then cut the hawser and made full speed to the wharf at Ladysmith, where she tied up safely. There was no question but that salvage had been effected as $1,500 had been paid into court by the defendants. It was simply for the court to decide the amount. The tug Pilot had undoubtedly saved the Otter from becoming a total wreck.

Capt. Scarf, of the tug Pilot, gave evidence to the effect that he had been asked by Captain Goss, of the Otter, to give assistance. He described the condition of the Otter when he came alongside. The fires were out, and the pumps going. He told of pulling the Otter off at high water and assisted her to the wharf at Ladysmith.

In reply to Mr. McMullen, the opposing consul, he said, he acted under the instructions of Captain Goss, master of the Otter.

Evidence of other members of the crew of the Pilot was to the effect that the Otter was in bad shape when the Pilot pulled her off.

Capt. Goss, in his evidence, when telling Captain Scarf to pull her off, said he would not say anything about what the job was worth but would leave it to the owners. There was something said about two or three hundred dollars.

The case is still in progress this afternoon.

CHANGE MADE IN PIANIST'S PROGRAMME

Paderewski Will Appear in Concert at Victoria Theatre Friday Night.

The third concert of the present season to be given by the Victoria Musical Society will take place on Friday evening, when Ignace Paderewski will appear.

Mr. Paderewski has notified the Victoria Musical Society of a change in programme. Instead of the programme previously given in these columns the amended programme will be as follows:

Variations and Fugue, Op. 23..Paderewski (First time).
Sonata Quasi Una Fantasia, C Sharp Minor, Op. 27 ..... Beethoven
Auf Dem Wasser Zu Singen ..... Schubert-Liszt
Soiree De Vienne, A Major ..... Schubert-Liszt
Erlking ..... Schubert-Liszt
Nocturne, F Sharp Major, Op. 15..Chopin
Etudes, Nos. 10 and 5, Op. 10 ..... Chopin
Scherzo, B Flat Minor ..... Chopin
Chant D'Amour, Op. 26, No. 3..Stejowski
Rhapsodie Hongroise, No. 13 ..... Liszt

The Weber piano will be used.

Persons attending the recital are requested to be in their seats early. Late comers will only be admitted between numbers.

The fourth and last concert by the Victoria Musical Society will be given on May 14th, when Mme. Louise Homer, prima donna contralto, of the Metropolitan grand opera, New York, will sing.

GOES TO HIGHER COURT.

F. C. Brewer Was Committed for Trial This Morning.

The case of F. C. Brewer, charged with obtaining goods to the amount of $75 from Estella Carroll, came up before Magistrate Jay this morning. Miss Carroll, in giving evidence, stated that the accused had come to her place on Herald street on the morning of January 21st, and represented himself as a newspaper man from Winnipeg. After being there for some time he asked the plaintiff if she would cash a sheque on the Northern Bank for $150, and if she would, he might buy more wine. Miss Carroll cashed the cheque and the accused got fifteen bottles of wine, at a cost of $5 per bottle, and when the plaintiff presented the cheque at the bank, she was told that there were no funds, so she laid the information with the police for Brewer's arrest.

Geo. Perdue was the next witness called, and he stated he saw the accused on January 22nd in the Brown Jug saloon, and when he accosted Brewter, he said he knew what the witness wanted. It was about that cheque he had given to Estella Carroll. He said it was given as a joke, and that Miss Carroll had used him well.

R. C. Lowe appeared for the accused. He said the would like the case tried in a higher court, so the accused was committed for trial.

PERSONAL.

Rev. E. Tremayne Dunston, a noted Australian evangelist, is expected on the Australian liner Aorangi, which is due here on Tuesday of this week. Mr. Dunston will conduct an evangelical campaign in the Congregational church.

F. J. Clay, a brother of Rev. W. L. Clay, leaves to-day on the Chippewa and will connect with the North Coast Limited at Seattle for Sheldon, Iowa.

Joseph Hunter, C. E., left yesterday afternoon by the Chippewa for Seattle en route to Portland on a business trip.

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—The British ship Hilston passed Tatoosh at 1.30, being towed in. She is coming to Esquimalt with a load of Welsh coal for the navy yard.

—John Sparrow has been granted a building permit by the building inspector for two story frame dwellings to be erected on Queen's avenue at a cost of $3,800.

—The electric display and lecture to-night in the schoolroom of the Church of Our Lord promises to be a great treat, not only to those who have a knowledge of the science of electricity, but also to the general public. E. C. Hayward is the lecturer and A. Tuson the demonstrator.

—The city band gave one of its usual delightful concerts in the New Grand theatre yesterday afternoon before a packed house. The selections were very well rendered, and the soloists acquitted themselves very creditably. These concerts are fast becoming popular. The proceeds yesterday were in aid of the band funds.

—The marriage took place yesterday of Mr. E. C. Nelson and Miss Augusta Weber, of Victoria. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Father Mertons in St. Andrew's (Roman Catholic) cathedral. Mr. and Mrs. Nelson have gone on a honeymoon trip to Vancouver, Seattle, Bellingham, and on their return to Victoria will reside at 304 Fort street.

—To-day the death ocurred at the Royal Jubilee hospital of Clarence Thomas, nine-year-old son of Malcolm Cameron, of Windermere, B. C. The child has been sick for five days. Mrs. Cameron has been in the city for several months giving her children the advantages offered for education. The remains have been removed to Hanna undertaking parlors.

—The death of Mrs. May Leith occurred at St. Joseph's hospital on Saturday last. The deceased was 24 years of age, and a native of London, Eng. The late Mrs. Leith was sick only a short time, and leaves a husband to mourn her loss. The remains have been removed to the chapel of the British Columbia Funeral Furnishing Company, from where the funeral will take place to-morrow morning at 8.45, and at 9 o'clock from the St. Andrew's (Roman Catholic) cathedral.

DIED.

LEITH—In this city, on the 8th inst., at St. Joseph's hospital, May Leith, beloved wife of George Leith, Esq., aged 24 years, a native of London, England. The funeral will leave the parlors of the B. C. Funeral Furnishing Co., 1016 Government street, on Tuesday, the 11th inst., at 8.45 a. m., and at 9 o'clock at St. Andrew's Roman Catholic Cathedral. Interment in Ross Bay cemetery. Friends will please accept this intimation.

PEDERSEN—On the 7th inst., at St. Joseph's hospital, Andrena, beloved wife of Edward Pedersen, and daughter of the late Peter Hansen, aged 20 years. Funeral will take place to-morrow afternoon at 2 o'clock from the family residence, 1023 Caledonia avenue. Friends please accept this intimation.

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Dated this 10th day of February, 1908.

SAMUEL McELNEA.

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Dated this 30th day of January, 1908.

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SEIZED RUSSIAN PICTURES.

Masterpieces Left By Permission of Czar in Hands of U. S. Custom Officials.

New York, Feb. 8.—The official Russian collection of paintings that was brought to this country for exhibition at the St. Louis exposition has been seized by the customs authorities, and to-day the collector of the port issued an order for the sale of the collection. Permission of the Emperor of Russia was secured to allow the paintings to be sent out of Russia, it was stated to-day, and a bond of $50,000 was given to the United States treasury department as a guarantee that the collection would be returned to Russia within a certain period after the exposition.

Collector of the Port Fowler declined to-day to give any information concerning the seizure. It is understood that the allowance of time within which the collection was to be returned having expired, and duty not having been paid, the government found it necessary to take possession of the paintings.

The collection is said to include some of the best examples of Russian art, and among the paintings is one owned by the Emperor, taken from the palace in St. Petersburg and loaned to make the collection complete.

The order for the sale will not, it is believed, be actually carried into effect until there has been further correspondence concerning the collection between the Russian authorities and the treasury department. The paintings are packed in forty-six cases, and no statement concerning their value has been obtained.

AFTERMATH OF OCTOBER PANIC

FINANCIAL MARKET STILL UNCERTAIN

Speculation is Restrained by Unfavorable Developments.

New York, Feb. 1.—Conditions in the stock market are somewhat conflicting. Stocks show surprising resistance to unfavorable developments; the latter having been so largely discounted by the previous declines, that easy money proved not only a very strong support against renewed depression, but a powerful stimulus to higher valuations. The great increase in monetary supplies, which has been so often predicted in these advices as an inflationary element, is now having its effect, and largely accounts for the market's resistance to discouraging news. This week further improvement has taken place in the monetary situation. Funds are returning freely from the interior and coming back out of hoarding, raising the surplus reserve last week to $37,000,000 and with the prospect that it will go still higher before the limit is reached. A similar state of affairs exists abroad, the reserves of the great banks in Europe also showing a rising tendency. There has been a world-wide cessation of speculative activity; also more or less recession in general trade and industry, with the result of greatly diminishing the inquiry for loanable funds. This decline in interest rates comes at a most fortunte time and has also exerted a strengthening effect upon security values in the foreign markets. British consols have shown an unusual advance and are now quoted at 86⅝, a recovery of over 6 points. In this market the effects of easier money have been most notable in bonds. Since the first of January it is estimated that bond sales have increased fully 25 per cent., while transactions in stocks have declined nearly 50 per cent. There has also been a good investment demand for preferred and guaranteed stocks. Lack of confidence has had considerable to do with turning the investment demand in these directions, since any business reaction which may have to be endured will fall entirely upon the common shares of railroad and industrial corporations.

The comparative indifference of Wall Street to reactionary commercial conditions outside is easily explained. The stock market situation has been greatly improved by the tremendous liquidation of 1907—which not only discounted excessive speculation and credit absuses culminating in that year, but also very largely discounted the probability of a commercial and industrial reaction in 1908. No one now questions that we have entered a period of business depression. It is only a matter as to how long it will continue. Production is now being actively curtailed in all the leading industries. In iron, in textiles, boots and shoes, leather, tobacco, and many other industries there has been more or less curtailment. Prices, too, are now receding, although by means of trusts and combinations of various kinds strenuous effort is being made to delay readjustments. The last report of the steel trust was perhaps the most striking illustration of industrial reaction. According to Mr. Carnegie's celebrated axiom steel has suddenly dropped from "prince to pauper." The unfilled orders on the books December 31st were given at 4,624,000 tons—the smallest total of any December since 1903. A year ago the total of unfilled orders was 8,489,000 tons. So severe a contraction, which was a direct result of the panic, can hardly be expected to continue indefinitely. Now that the railroads are better able to finance their requirements, the demand for steel products should before long begin to improve; nevertheless, old-time activity need not be anticipated. Railroad earnings are plainly feeling the shrinkage in traffic. November returns showed a gain of about 5 per cent. in gross earnings, while net earnings decreased 15 per cent.; and December returns are expected to be still more unfavorable. Some authorities estimate that at least 300,000 cars are idle in various parts of the United States, while others state that these figures are considerably underestimated. Such incidents are merely cited to prove that business reaction is a reality and not a figment of the imagination. They mean that commerce and industry must go through a process of readjustment somewhat in keeping with what has taken place in securities. The readjustment will be much less severe in commercial circles than it has been in finance, because the latter was honeycombed by excesses and abuses which have no counterpart in industry or commerce. Hence the readjustment in general business will be much less acute than in Wall Street. The only cure is to get back from the abnormal to normal as easily and as early as possible. This can only be done by contraction. Demand has already declined for reasons well understood, and prices are receding in consequence. The next step will be a reduction in costs of production, which would inevitably cause more or less friction, especially in the matter of reducing wages. With easier monetary conditions, however, and more normal conditions as to prices and wages, the way will be paved for an early resumption of industrial activity—not on the inflationary basis of 1907, but on a lower and more stable level. Much will depend upon the outsome of the crops and the election. If these prove satisfactory, and if the process of readjustment in business is not unduly impeded by combinations, we may look for improvement at a comparatively early date. Any interference with natural tendencies will simply protract, if not intensify, depression.

On the Stock Exchange the recent bank failures and troubles in financial institutions had little effect. These were simply the aftermath of the panic, and a part of the general housecleaning then undertaken. The local banking situation has been immensely improved and is now in very satisfactory condition, despite the fact that some of the difficulties created by the panic are only now coming to the surface. Should any more of these troubles be exposed, they need now cause no loss of confidence in the banking situation in this city. Those in control are fully determined to eliminate the weak features and raise the standards of banking conduct in New York. In future it may be depended upon that bank management in this city will fall upon men who as presidents and directors stand high, not only as regards ability, but whose reputation for integrity and disinterestedness will be beyond question. The panic will at least have had one good effect in that it will immensely raise the standards and ethics of banking in this the second banking centre of the world.

The future of the market is for the present more or less uncertain. We are assured of easy money for months to come, and that is a supporting influence which cannot be lightly underestimated. It must not be lost sight of that a substantial advance has already taken place since the October panic. As a result liquidation in many carried-over accounts has been greatly facilitated and many of the stocks bought to check the panic have also been sold at handsome profits. Under ordinary conditions it might be possible to carry the market to a still higher level, but speculation is restrained by the unfavorable developments outside the market and the prospects of declining dividends for both railroads and industrials. This leaves the market very evenly balanced as to conditions. No excessive advance seems likely just now, while any decided break would undoubtedly invite new purchases. Under such conditions active trading in stocks should revive, and the better class of securities will no doubt find ready purchasers on all pronounced breaks, especially in view of the strong banking support which is evidently being accorded. The president's message contained little that was new of importance, and was largely confined to a reiteration of his former position. Its main object was evidently to stir congress into action; something very difficult to do just in advance of a presidential election.

HENRY CLEWS.

BRIGHT OUTLOOK FOR DAWSON MERCHANTS

Guggenheims Will Employ 2,000 Men in Completing Big Enterprise.

Dawson, Jan. 25.—Dawson merchants are looking forward to a good summer in the Klondike. The fact that the Guggenheims have announced that they will employ 2,000 men in the camp in the completion of their mammoth Twelve-mile ditch, their dredges, electrical conveyors and other enterprises has brightened the aspect considerably.

It also is known that two or three other large companies are negotiating with the purpose, if all goes well, of investing in the Klondike, and it is believed that they will succeed notwithstanding the flurry in finances outside. Some of the latest reports concerning the progress of the leaders of these big companies are most encouraging. One of the companies will install a dredge and build its own steamer for the Stewart this summer; another will bring in 35 tons of supplies over the ice this winter for the lower Fortymile; another has acquired considerable holdings in dredging ground on Dominion creek, transferred some months ago, and one or two in the upper Fortymile are planning to increase their equipment the coming year, and to prepare much more ground.

With all these enterprises of first magnitude under way the Dawson merchants feel they have a good basis for a fair trade this year. In addition to the big dredge and hydraulic enterprises cited there are several others in embryo of fully as much significance, but not yet announced to the public.

The opening of the White River district also is giving some new trade to the camp. The several parties leaving here this winter have taken at least $1,000 worth of equipment and supplies to the party, meaning that each trader or store that makes a sale of an outfit of that kind cleans up considerable. Similar outfits for the upper Stewart, for Fortymile and other outlying posts have turned revenue to this camp, and it is believed that with the renewed interests in a number of these distant districts Dawson will feel considerable revival.

The new creeks around Dawson are also promising to engage considerable labor, particularly Black Hills. A hundred or more men and several big boilers are at work there this winter, and it looks as though there will be two or three times as much work on the stream next summer.

Sulphur creek is seeing more work this year on some of the ground than ever before, particularly on the lower end, and Granville continues a steady producer. Others of the old creeks continue to produce an appreciable share.

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A Norwegian inventor has patented a suit of clothes which will protect its wearer from drowning. The clothes are lined with a non-absorbent material made of specially-prepared vegetable fibre which, without being too heavy, will effectively hold up the weight of a man in the water. Twelve ounces of the new material, it is claimed, save a person from sinking. The invention has been tested with favorable results at Christiania. Successful trials were also made with rugs composed of the same material, capable of supporting two persons in the water.

A SILENT COUPLE.

James L. Williams, a hat maker, of Danbury, Conn., and his wife have occupied the same house, taken their meals at the same table, and have been in each other's company almost continually for five years without speaking a word to each other. Five years ago they quarrelled, and Williams made a vow that he would never again speak to his wife. He has kept it faithfully, and Mrs. Williams is now suing for a divorce.

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ISSUES BETWEEN U. S. A. AND CANADA

Ambassador Bryce to Confer With Sir Wilfrid Laurier.

Washington, Feb. 8.—Mr. Bryce, the British ambassador, has settled upon February 16th as the date of his departure for Ottawa, where he will confer with Sir Wilfrid Laurier, the Canadian premier, and other Dominion officials respecting the consummation of a treaty between Great Britain and the United States for the settlement of various issues between the United States and Canada.

The matter of the Newfoundland fisheries is not involved in this mission, as it has already been arranged. The important question of the right of a province or a colony to nullify a treaty by legislative action will be submitted to arbitration before the Hague tribunal. The ambassador's purpose is to secure Canadian approval of the project he has framed for the settlement of questions connected with the use of the waters of the Niagara, fishery rights in the Great Lakes, navigation rights in international rivers and certain boundary questions.

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WATER WORKS BLUNDERS.

We thought in devoting a few words to the water situation in Victoria we had made our position perfectly clear. We did not criticise the present council or any person in authority under the council for the existing condition of affairs. We pointed out that the situation was the product of many years of what mere laymen regard as blundering and incompetence. It is perfectly apparent that there is but one course for the city council to follow: it must make the best possible use of a system which, notwithstanding the animadversions of the "superior person who knows all things," is literally a system of "shreds and patches."

It is a matter of common knowledge that there was blundering in laying at least one of the mains connecting Elk Lake with the system of city distribution. The in-take at the lake is admittedly at the wrong place. The filter beds are of little or no practical use. We speak not of our own knowledge, but of the knowledge of competent persons, in saying that the pump at the in-take represents just so much money wasted. Expert Adams recommends that new pumping engines be substituted for the machinery now forcing the water to the higher levels. We are supposed to have a distribution system at present, yet a good many hundreds of thousands of dollars must be expended for the purpose of renewing that system. Such are a few of the mistakes which have been made in constructing works representing a value of a million or so of dollars. Would there have been any such story to tell if a "keen and incorruptible intelligence" had been directing the undertaking from the beginning? Every one knows that blunders have been made. All that is asked is that such costly mistaken shall be avoided in the future. It may be necessary to lay salt water mains and to instal pumps in order top rovide adequate pressure for fire protection purposes. The Fire Wardens doubtless had expert advice on the subject before deciding upon their recommendations to the city council. But Mr. Adams, the expert engaged by the council, offers no such advice. He apparently assumes that if the improvements he has suggested are carried out, there will be an ample supply of water and ample pressure for all purposes until such time as the population outgrows the capacity of the lake. The prevailing opinion is that within a much shorter time than Mr. Adams estimates it will be necessary to secure water from another source. If we are forced to go to Sooke Lake there will be sufficient water for all purposes. The cost of the undertaking will be very great—great enough to tax our credit and resources to the limit. We ought to bear these things in mind and not waste more money than is necessary on what, after all, is but a makeshift.

WORK OF THE VICTORIA MUSICAL SOCIETY.

The people of Victoria lately enjoyed the very great privilege of listening to the world's greatest living violinist, Kubelik. This week another artist of world-wide fame—some critics maintain the greatest pianist the world has ever heard—will give a concert in our theatre. The musical public of the city and neighborhood gave substantial evidence of their appreciation of the organization which has been instrumental in bringing these famous musicians here by filling the house from "pit to dome." When the fact is mentioned that we have been favored beyond many communities of vastly larger dimensions—the artists in question appearing in only sixty cities on this continent—we doubt not that the evidence of appreciation will be quite as substantial in the case of the appearance of Paderewski as it was in the case of Kubelik. The Victoria Musical Society deserves great credit and every encouragement it is possible for the public to give, because it has displayed great courage indeed in taking the financial risks involved in its undertaking. It has already done much to enkindle musical enthusiasm and broaden our appreciation of the "finest of all the fine arts" in this city. Our ambition is to make this city that nature intended her to be—the most attractive spot on the continent for "all sorts and conditions of men." If we failed in the particular to which the Musical Society has set itself with such conspicuous success almost at the very beginning of its career, we should fail in the most essential feature of our ambitious programme. All the circumstances considered, it is no small thing the Victoria Musical Society has already accomplished. Therefore we say it is worthy of all the encouragement it is within the power of the public to accord. Every resident of the city with a proper conception of the objects we have in view and to which we as a people have been devoting a great deal of attention within recent years should do all that lies within his power to make the concerts of the society a success.

NAMED BY QUEEN VICTORIA.

In the "Letters of Queen Victoria," recently issued, one appears having an historical interest for the residents of this province. It is dated Osborne, 24th July, 1858, and was addressed by the Queen to Sir E. Bulwer Lytton. At that time objections were being made in France to the name of New Caledonia being given to the proposed colony between the Pacific and the Rocky Mountains. The Queen wrote:

"The Queen has received Sir E. Bulwer Lytton's letter. If the name of New Caledonia is objected to as being already borne by another colony or island claimed by the French, it may be better to give the new colony west of the Rocky Mountains another name. New Hanover, New Cornwall and New Georgia appear from the maps to be names of subdivisions of that country, but do not appear on all maps. The only name which is given to the whole territory in every map the Queen has consulted is 'Columbia,' but as there exists also a Columbia in South America, and the citizens of the United call their country also Columbia, at least in poetry, 'British Columbia' might be, in the Queen's opinion, the best name."

And in this way and for the reasons stated our province was named British Columbia by Queen Victoria.

THE SITUATION IN PORTUGAL.

The Republicans of Portugal say they are hopeful of establishing a popular for of government upon the memories of the murdered king, Crown Prince and fugitive prime minister. Possibly they may succeed, but we fear if they really had a hand in that terribly tragedy of Lisbon they will find they made, to put the matter mildly, an atrocious political blunder. The king is dead, the king's heir is dead, but the king reigns, and the government of the country is going on. Furthermore, the most diabolical of crimes of recent years against organized society has had a natural effect. It has created sympathy for the crown and re-established it more firmly upon the head of the reigning monarch, called to the throne under such appalling domestic circumstances. Whatever indiscretions or oppressions King Carlos may have been guilty of, under, we presume, the advice of his chief adviser Franco, have been laid in the grave along with the late king and the dead prince his son. A widow in weeds and her son overcome by the weight of a great grief are the most conspicuous and the most appealing features of the political situation in Portugal to-day. They will strengthen the ministry and weaken the opposition and prove strong forces for the perpetuation, for the time being at least, of the monarchical system of government. If it be true that there are strong movements in all the Latin countries of Europe in favor of the deposition of kings and the establishment of monarchies—a movement said to be strengthened by the success of republican forms in France—it is most unfortunate for that agitation that some of the agitators were carried off their feet and resorted to violence. They have played into the hands of the reactionaries and created a strong body of resentment which will not be forgotten for years. The republic of France was not born of the martyrdom of a reigning monarch, but of the sufferings and humiliation of the nation.

New Westminster News: In the House of Lords last week in debate upon the address in reply to the Speech from the Throne, Lord Lansdowne took occasion to express his gratification that the difficulty with the United States regarding the Newfoundland fisheries question was going to arbitration, and considered that the settlement between Canada and Japan was most credible, not only to the Dominion government, but to the government of our ally, who had exhibited, not for the first time, a self-restraint and sagacity which had elicited the admiration of all who had opportunities of coming into close contact with its diplomatic proceedings. Such a statement from such a man is worth all the fireworks of a Bowser or the whirlwind of a McBride.

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A Mere Man furnishes Punch with an unanswerable argument in favor of Woman Suffrage. This argument has not yet been used by the ladies of Victoria who have been reasoning with the McBride government against any curtailment of their rights and privileges. Punch's Man visited a circus and describes one of the feats he saw performed there: "Young lady cyclist has just turned back somersault, sitting, from saddle of her bicycle to that of another just behind her. To think that she possess a vote, while she is denied all voice in the government of her country! That's the worst of circuses—they give one such a sense of one's own incompetence."

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If Evelyn Nesbitt Thaw should ever have trouble with "Harry" after his release from the asylum—an event which is evidently only being delayed in deference to public opinion—she may console herself with the reflection that on the stage she would be a star of the first magnitude. The managers would have "brain storms" in their desperate efforts to secure her signature to a contract. And from the history of the hero and heroine it is extremely doubtful if they will "hit it off together" for any length of time. Suffering can hardly have the effect of permanently fusing two such hearts.

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The Colonist evidently had a thought of Mr. Bowser at the back of its brain when it quoted with approval the following from the Toronto World: "It is not always the man who talks the loudest that knows the most, or has the greatest stake in the country. Talk is cheap and the cheap man's ever-ready asset is talk. Many a man is known by his tongue. He is tongue-wagged. No one discounts the utility of a tongue, but the man's the thing."

What Other People Think

THE EXCESSIVE COST OF LIVING HERE.

To the Editor:—Last year that august body of men, "The Victoria Board of Trade," undertook to solve the labor problem. They said the province was suffering from scarcity and excessive cost of labor. They wanted Chinamen. They thought it ridiculous that labor was so high. Why don't they try and solve the excessive cost of living in our city at present? A family will come to Victoria with the intention of remaining here. With a limited amount of wealth and full of anxiety whether they can get work or not, the house agent will ask them $25 rent for a house that is not worth $10, the grocer will supply them with groceries at anything but a moderate charge, and then the coal and wood men will hit them with their seven and a half rate. The first thing they know their funds are exhausted and they have to move to some other town where conditions are more favorable. V. B. T., when you have time, you can look into these matters.

A NEW SETTLER.

THAT NEW MOUNTAIN PASS.

To the Editor of the Toronto Globe:—With reference to the special dispatch to the Globe reported in your issue of Jan. 12th, 1908, and headed, "New Mountain Pass," about a party of surveyors who had been at work along the Copper river having discovered a much shorter and easier route between Fort George and Prince Rupert, etc., etc., I have to say that this route via the Copper and Telquin rivers to the Bulkeley river valley was explored by one Wells, under my direction, for Mr. Maitland Kersey, late of Victoria, B. C., for railway charter purposes, about two years before the Grand Trunk Pacific Co. was in existence; that the late G. T. P. engineer, Mr. J. R. Stephens, came to my office in Victoria, B. C., and got from me two routes laid down for the G. T. P. through British Columbia, one as the best agricultural, the other as the best mineral route, the former via the Peace and Pine river valleys, and the latter via the Yellow Head Pass. Not long after he was shown the notes of the Telqua river exploration, which defined the summit of this and the Copper river, and approximated to the grades to be got both ways. The Copper river was not descended throughout, the country then being on fire.

The engineer, Mr. C. C. Van Arsdol, referred to in your dispatch, subsequently got a letter from Wells at Hazelton concerning this same route, and came to my office in consequence, in Victoria, B. C., where he was shown the notes of Wells' exploration, with approximate grades and distances. This is the new route, or new mountain pass, which your dispatch says has met with very favorable comment. It is sixty miles shorter than the route via the valley of the Skeena river, and will save the G. T. P. about three million dollars first cost, although it will take more power to operate it than the longer line.

H. P. BELL,
M.I.C.E., Mem. Am. Soc. C.E.
Campbellford, Ont., Jan. 24th.

ACADEMIC VS. PRACTICAL REFORM.

To the Editor:—I see by this Sunday's Colonist Mr. A. C. Flumerfelt is again offering prizes for the best essays on how best to build up our country. The labor problem appears to be the strong feature. As I do not intend to sign my name to this, I do not wish to infer that Mr. Flumerfelt has any other motive than the one he gives, an earnest desire to build up our province. But if capitalists pursue the policy that has always obtained in this province you may write essays until the end of time and we will be no better off. I cannot agree with the Socialists in proposing to destroy the capitalist by brute force, nor would I limit his legitimate possibilities in any way. I believe a man may make great wealth and yet help his fellows all along the line, but I am afraid very few of our British Columbia capitalists set a very humane example. Under the guise of patriotism they cry for cheap labor and lay waste the province. Not that the worker is any better. The fact that a man is poor is no proof of honesty or integrity. He is just as ready to crush his neighbor as the capitalist. Yet, if all capitalists were the result of honest effort and individual ability, there would scarcely be enough in this province to get up a card party. Pull, pull, and the ability to throw dust in the eyes of the common people makes most of them rich.

The capitalists and business men have adopted a system which they find works out very much to their advantage. Just how far it tends to build up the country or how patriotic it is, I don't exactly know. We know that in business retailers will quote you practically the same price for all they have to sell. If one of them feels like selling at a smaller margin of profit he is promptly informed that his source of supply will be shut off if he don't fall in line. But when the worker (by worker I mean the person who earns his living at so much per day or month, and is commonly called a laborer or mechanic) attempts to unite for mutual protection and profit the capitalist raises the patriotic cry. He tells how anxious he is to open up and build up his country and uses every means in his power to lay in a supply of labor, so that each and every worker will be obliged to take what is offered him. There is the parting of the ways. There to me, or my way of looking at it, is where the Socialist's proposition to crush the capitalist is justified. They represent the two extremes and both should be classed outside the pale of modern civilization. I would suggest to any capitalist who is desirous of seeing everybody prosperous and happy that he use his example as well as his words. If you must have cheap labor, then the laborer must have cheap living. Do not charge him more for his coal or lumber than you cangot for it in a foreign market. If Nature has given this province many good things and you the ability to see and put them to their proper use, do not take toll of your brother who is less gifted or fortunate, as the case may be. Give him a chance to be happy, and about the only way you can do it in the case of the laborer is to provide him with steady, not spasmodic, employment at living wages, where he can hope to live as a man should and perhaps learn to believe that there may have been such a place as Paradise. Few of us have any real reason to believe it as things go now.

Dear Mr. Editor, I surely must apologize for taking up so much space, but really when there are so many thousand idle men in our province and the government is preparing to start relief works in some districts, it seems to me something better than writing essays on where to get our labor from could be done.

G. E. M.

ESSAYS ON IMMIGRATION.

To the Editor:—For some years an almost consuming desire has possessed me to make known to the world the practically unlimited natural wealth of the province of British Columbia, to aid in its development by the up-building of its industries and the increase of its population. This desire was demonstrated—during the last eighteen months—by the offer of a series of prizes for the best papers submitted on specified subjects directly relating to this province, and all more or less bearing upon and interlaced with labor conditions. Numbers of these essays and papers appeared in the daily press and several were published in pamphlet form. As great interest was evinced in the statistical matter contained in such publications, I thought it worth the trouble and expense of issuing 10,000 copies of a small booklet containing the prize-winning essays. These were and are being distributed throughout the English-speaking world, by post, to every member of the Dominion Senate, House of Commons and the provincial legislatures; also to some 1,200 newspapers and 2,000 banks, Australia and England, as well as the United States, receiving their quota through a very extensive, carefully prepared mailing list.

Owing to many recent deplorable disturbances, my plan has become enlarged, and for the purpose of attracting thoughtful minds and eliciting the best ideas I propound questions as below, offering several prizes for the best answers on what appears to me to be the most important subject of the age, one which tremendously affects this province, is of vital and paramount importance to the Dominion, and—if indications are to be relied upon—must soon become the most momentous problem to be dealt with by the Imperial government, viz., IMMIGRATION. The insistent demands and the gravity of the situation render it imperative that party politics should be forgotten; that differences of opinion be laid aside, and the best brain of all classes in our great Empire be turned toward the solution. We should think strongly and with deliberation, not only provincially but nationally—indeed, internationally—and, in doing so, should take proper thought for the future as well as of the present. Then, with thought controlled, we should attempt fearlessly, resting in absolute confidence that our destiny is assured.

It is fair to assume no thinking Canadian between the Atlantic and the Pacific would for one moment entertain an idea—or permit any public feeling to be created—which would tend to weaken the bond of sympathy existing between Canada and the Mother Country. Then, it may be asked, what shall Canada do? What position shall we take?

In considering this question, due regard must be had of the presently existing markets to which Canada has access and the significant fact that our per capita exportation is greater than any nation in the world, and that we now stand third among the peoples of the earth in the total of our per capita trade; also that Great Britain is our largest customer. Attentive respect should also be given to the fact that a very large percentage of our exports are in a raw state, and as our manufactures increase wider markets must be found if our industries are to be prosperous. Where are such trade outlets to be had, and can we depend upon holding those markets which are now absorbing a great proportion of our exports?

One would be safe in the assertion that if Canada is to become a great nation addition to her population is the first requisite, in order that the arable lands now lying idle may be successfully and profitably tilled; that our virgin forests, the largest in the world, may be put to commercial uses; that our manufacturing plants may be increased; that the wealth of our mines—both metalliferous and coal—may be successfully exploited; and, further, that we may have regular and continuous development and expansion now possible, hundreds of thousands, and possibly millions, of men will be necessary. The usual ordinary demands of such added population would certainly necessitate increases in all branches of industry. These are a few, only, of the thoughts that come to one's mind in considering this great issue.

Incoming numbers of people from foreign shores change the national and racial ideals, and, in the process of amalgamation, notions, character and habits gradually alter. It may be accepted as a fact that the natural resources of any country are the foundation of industrial development and national commerce; and it must follow as a logical sequence that the people engaged in the development of such resources are of material importance, and it may be stated as a truth that the character of any people clearly represents or reflects the greatness of any country; it is therefore fundamental that only such augmentation of our population be secured or permitted as will tend to build up this most valuable asset of the country, viz., CHARACTER. Doubtless, governments and political men will be made or defeated by reason of the attitude assumed in respect of immigration; efforts hitherto put forth from time to time, and more or less successful, have been criticized and perhaps publicly condemned because of the class of persons brought into this country under one or another policy.

In approaching this greatest of national questions, the first thought that presents itself is the diversity of our requirements. For example, it is obvious that the labor necessary to properly develop the province of British Columbia would be more or less unsuitable or the provinces of Alberta, Saskatchewan and Manitoba. Going further east, not only do agriculture and fruit growing employ a great deal of labor and contribute largely to the national wealth, but in the centres of population in the provinces of Ontario and Quebec are to be found many of our larger manufacturing industries, and artisans and labor of other classes are therefore demanded; in the Maritime provinces still other conditions obtain; consequently governments, statesmen and political economists throughout Canada may and should address themselves with profit to this all-important subject. Where are we to secure the expected and necessary population? Can such additions be taken—or brought—from the English-speaking peoples? If so, what proportion can these people contribute?

I will offer prizes to the value of $350, divided as follows:

For the best essay on the questions propounded below, viz., A, B, and C, relating to:

The province of British Columbia	$50
The provinces of Alberta, Saskatchewan and Manitoba	50
The provinces of Ontario and Quebec	50
The provinces of New Brunswick, Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island	50

A. Enumerate the nationalities and also give number of languages spoken in the provinces written upon:

B. Outline the requirements of such provinces to insure continuous, reasonably rapid development and with harmony.

C. State the countries from which immigration should bed rawn and the best method of attracting and successfully inducing such immigration to the provinces in question, having due regard to existing trade conditions.

For the most exhaustive, lucid essay on the questions as below, viz., D, E and F, respecting Canada as a whole, I will offer a first prize of $100; second, $50:

D. Enumerate the nationalities now resident in Canada; also give number of languages spoken.

E. Outline the requirements necessary to insure continuous, reasonably rapid development and with industrial harmony.

F. State from what countries should immigration be drawn and the best method of attracting and successfully inducing such immigration to Canada, having due regard to existing trade conditions.

The prizes, at the option of each winner, may be taken in money, a piece of silver suitably engraved, or presented to any of the public charities. The competition is to close on the 1st of May next, and letters should be addressed to "Immigration, P. O. drawer 620, Victoria, B. C.," the same, not to be opened except by committee, are unlimited as to length, but must be signed or accompanied by the card of the writer, with memo. on the face of the envelope indicating the contents of the enclosure. Well known political economists and educationists of Canada will be requested to judge and award the prizes for these essays, my intention being to publish them in pamphlet form and distribute broadcast, in the hope that such distribution will afford to the several provinces information respecting each other.

Would that I had the power to compel all interested in mining or timber, professional men and manufacturers, agriculturists and cattle men, financial and business men, labor men and capitalists, young and old, men and women, to consecrate themselves to the cause of Canada in the truest and highest sense, which, in my humble opinion, lies in creating and fostering a development by wisely using our natural resources and judiciously seeking additions to our population, thereby ensuring a further advancement toward freedom, justice, popular education, a strong, well-defined British-Canadian sentiment; thus shall we become a more united, happier, contented people with a general regard for life, health, peace, individual well-being and national prosperity.

A. C. FLUMERFELT.

—Mrs. Graham, 1308 Stanley avenue, has very kindly offered the use of her home to the ladies of the Young Women's Christian Association for a tea on Tuesday afternoon. The directors hope that all their friends and well wishers will take this opportunity of showing their interest in the cause of the young girls of the city, and of those who will come in the future. A good musical programme will add to the pleasure of the afternoon.

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—Last week an interesting ceremony took place at the "Laurels," Belcher street, when Col. J. G. Holmes, D. D. C., M. D., No. 11, presented prizes to three members of the Victoria Collegiate school cadet corps. Two of the prizes were awarded for the two best shots in the company, Sergt. A. Grant was the winner of the first prize, a gold badge, and Corporal H. Scharschmidt won the second prize, a silver badge. Lieut. R. Stirling was the winner of the prize for the most efficient cadet in the company, which consisted of a handsomely bound book. The cadet corps was inspected by Col. Holmes.

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—The tickets are now selling rapidly for the recital to be given by Frank Armstrong, Mrs. Hermann Robertson, the Misses Lugrin and Arthur Gore in Institute hall to-morrow evening, and one of the most enjoyable concerts of the season is assured, as all are artists well known to music lovers of this city. Of a recent concert given by Frank Armstrong in St. John, N. B., the Globe of Friday, October 25th, 1907, says: "No finer violinist has been heard in St. John for many years than Frank Armstrong. He exhibits a thorough familiarity with his instrument, and plays with unusual finish. His bowing, aided by the possibilities of a magnificent violin, produces particularly rich tonal effects, and his technique is most creditable." The concert will begin at 8.30 p.m. Tickets are on sale at Waitt's music store.

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—John L. Hayes, who was sentenced to a year in jail for pocket-picking during the fair week here last fall, has been sent to the asylum at New Westminster. For some time after entering the jail he seemingly enjoyed good health, but lately he acted in a very peculiar manner, and at last became so violent that the authorities at the jail were forced to place him in a padded cell. When he first began to show peculiar symptoms, it was thought he was feigning in order that he might be transferred to some place where he would not be closely watched. It is possible that before he was imprisoned he was addicted to the morphine habit, and it may be the sudden stopping of the drug affected him mentally. The necessary certificate for his transfer to the asylum was signed by Drs. Helmcken and Fraser, and countersigned by Magistrate Jay.

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—This evening at 8 o'clock the regular meeting of the St. Andrew's Society will be held in the Sir William Wallace hall, Broad street. All members are requested to be present.

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—A meeting of the captains and managers of the city junior and intermediate basketball teams has been called for this evening in the fire hall at 7.30 prompt. Secretary Stewart has important business to bring forward regarding the shortening of both the junior and intermediate leagues, and every one interested should be present.

—L'alliance Francaise will hold its regular weekly meeting at the Alexandra club on Wednesday next, but instead of following the usual routine will present a little French comedy, entitled "Tel oiseau tel nid." The committee will be glad if members will bring their French-speaking friends. There is no admission charge.

—The congregation of the James Bay Methodist church was delighted to have the opportunity of hearing their former pastor, Rev. W. E. Dunham, last night. The church was well filled by an appreciative audience. Rev. R. McE. Thompson, a student of Columbian college, New Westminster, was also present, and assisted the pastor, Rev. G. R. B. Kinney, in the service.

—The remains of the late James Bowie where laid to rest yesterday afternoon. The funeral took place from the family residence, Government street, at 2 o'clock, where service was conducted by Rev. Dr. Campbell at the residence and graveside. The following acted as pallbearers: P. A. Babington, A. G. Babington, Archie Babington, M. MacIver, A. Riley and J. Cotten.

—A quiet home wedding took place at the residence of Mr. John Lewis on Carr street, yesterday morning, when Mr. Lewis' daughter, Annie, was united in marriage to Mr. Daniel Day, of Nanaimo. The ceremony was performed by Rev. G. R. B. Kinney, B. A., pastor of James Bay Methodist church. The happy couple left on the afternoon train for their future home at Nanaimo.

—The secretary of the S. P. C. A. wishes it to be distinctly understood that if those persons acquainted with instances of cruelty to animals will furnish their names and address, such inforamtion will be treated as strictly confidential. The committee will use every endeavor to bring offenders to justice without giving the original informants the annoyance of appearing in a public prosecution, unless their sanction is obtained.

—Manager McTarnahan announces the moonlight skating carnival he promised to hold this month for Thursday night, February 13th. The doors will be opened to skaters at 7.30 p.m., and the grand march will take place 9 o'clock, during which the prizes will be awarded, and immediately after the skaters will unmask, and then everyone can skate until 11 o'clock. Mr. McTanahan is giving away six pairs of skates and six other prizes, 12 in all. Prizes will be awarded for best skaters, best dressed, best costumes, best national costumes, best sustained characters and booby prizes.

—Last Monday evening at the K. of P. hall the annual roll call meeting of Court Vancouver, A. O. F., was held and one of the largest assemblages of members ever seen in the hall was the outcome of the committee's good work. Some of the members who joined in 1873 were present. Four candidates were initiated into the mysteries of ancient Forestry. After the court was closed, F. Carne, past chief ranger, called the members to order, and the roll was called of 273 members in good standing. Joseph Ramsay proved himself the comedian of the evening in his witty sayings and imitations of the popular songs of to-day, including "The Busy Bee," "The Saw," "The Barber and His Shave," "The Cats at Night."

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—The regular fortnightly meeting of the Natural History Society will be held this evening at 8 o'clock, the subject being: "The Infusorial Earths of British Columbia." The lecture will be by O. C. Hastings, of this city.

—Last evening at the New Grand theatre, Rev. Mr. McLeod, of Nanaimo, gave an address under the auspices of the Socialists. The subject of the lecture was "The Problem of the Unemployed." The hall was well filled. John McInnes, M. P. P., of Grand Forks, presided.

—On Saturday afternoon the recital given by the Victoria Ladies' Musical Club was a very enjoyable affair. The programme was admirably rendered. The Indian love lyrics were very excellently sung by Mrs. Pooley. Mr. Armstrong's rendering of his violin selections were very much enjoyed.

—Lingerie—Of the daintiest description has just arrived. Pretty corset covers of nainsook and sheer fabrics trimmed with lace, embroidery and insertion. Prices 25c. and up. Also drawers, gowns and everything in the line of whitewear for ladies. Robinson's cash store, 86 Yates street.

—Charles Lindsay Kingston, a young farmer of Duncans, died at St. Joseph's hospital last Saturday. The deceased was a native of Duncans, and was only 30 years of age. The remains were forwarded to Duncans by yesterday morning's train from the parlors of the British Columbia Funeral Furnishing Company.

—A meeting in connection with women's work will be held in Christ Church schoolroom to-morrow afternoon at 3 o'clock, when the Bishop will preside and certain of the subjects which are to be brought before the London conference in June will be discussed. Delegates from every diocese throughout the world will attend the conference, and this diocese will be represented.

—The public are asked to remember the social afternoon and evening to be given by the St. Agnes Guild of St. James church next Thursday, 13th, the eve of St. Valentine, to be held at the residence of the president, 217 Quebec street, which is being kindly lent for the occasion. Candy will be on sale and great fun will be had over the butterfly booth. A Gypsy palmist will be present. Music and singing will help to give a pleasant time. All are welcome and are promised a jolly time.

—New acts opening at the New Grand to-day are Crimmins & Gore, Dan & Rosa, comedy sketch, "What Are the Wild Waves Saying?;" The Four Brown Brothers and Doc Kealey, high class comedy musical act; Rose and Severus, comedy sketch, "The Automobile Disaster"; DeWitt, Young and Sister, comedy jugglers; Frederick Primrose, "That Minstrel Man"; Thos. J. Price, in the illustrated song, "To-night, Sweetheart To-night"; two new sets of moving pictures entitled "The Need of Gold" and "Laughing Gas," and Victor Herbert's "Selections from the Red Mill," as an overture by the orchestra.

—To-morrow evening at 8 o'clock the annual concert and dance of the British Columbia Electric Railway employees will take place at the A. O. U. W. hall. Tickets, including concert, dance and supper, can be obtained from any of the employees of the company. The programme is as follows: Overture, the orchestra; humorous recitation, "The Charity Bazaar," M. L. Harby; song, selected, R. Grant; flute solo, G. Dinsley; recitation, Miss J. Gibson; song, selected, A. T. Goward; ventriloquial sketch, M. L. Harby; song, "Love Me and the World is Mine," G. Gardiner; humorous song, "A Different Girl Again," F. E. Anderton; song, "Juanita," T. J. Polley; "God Save the King."

ANOTHER EFFORT TO GET PERMISSION

P. Lavelle Still Working With a View of Creating Cabinet.

P. Levelle, who is seeking to get permission to build a block of cabins on discovery street, will be represented at the council meeting to-night by his solicitor, J. S. Yates, when the motion of Alderman Mable to reopen the question comes up. Mr. Levelle claims that he has not been heard in the matter and that the resolution was rushed through, hence the action of Alderman Mable in asking that the motion of last week be rescinded.

The following is the motion which is posted on the notice board: "That the following motion be reconsidered, 'moved by Alderman Henderson, seconded by Alderman Fullerton that the petition be received and the request granted, and that the building inspector be instructed to refuse a permit for the construction of the buildings in question should an application be received by him,' and that the said motion be rescinded."

"(Signed) W. MABLE."

The original motion was passed because of a report that Mr. Levelle was intending to appeal to the council after being refused a permit by the building inspector.

DELIGHTFUL RECITAL.

Pupils of G. Jennings Burnett, Assisted by Other Talent, Entertained Friends.

A large number of ladies and gentlemen assembled and filled the studio and rooms of G. Jennings Burnett's residence on Saturday evening, the occasion being a piano recital given by a number of his senior pupils. A neat printed folder had been prepared, which contained the following programme of choice classical numbers, interspersed with songs by Mr. W. H. Mallier and Mr. F. Waddington, whose singing was much appreciated:

PART I.

Largo—Symphony in D (Piano and Organ, six hands) ..... Beethoven
Miss Gladys Hewlings and Miss Shields.
(a) Papillon; (b) Berceuse ..... Greig
Miss Isabel McCrae.
Song—The Sailor's Grave ..... Sullivan
Mr. F. Waddington.
Impromptu—Mazurka ..... Bohm
Miss Norah Hewlings.
Nocturne, Op. 9, No. 2 ..... Chopin
Miss Jessie Roberts.
Song—Three for Jack ..... Leslie
Mr. W. H. Mallier.
March Troubadour (with Organ) ..... Roubier
Misses Elsie and Eva Mess.

PART II.

Liebestraume, No. 3 ..... Liszt
Miss Gladys Hewlings.
(a) Barcarolle in G Minor ..... Tschaikowsky
(b) Romance in E Flat (with Organ) ..... Rubenstein
Miss Mary Sturgiss.
Meditation on Prelude of Bach (with Organ) ..... Gounod
Miss Gladys and Nora Hewlings.
Song—I'll Sing the Songs of Araby ..... Clay
Mr. F. Waddington.
Nocturne in G—Op. 37, No. 2 ..... Chopin
Miss Shields.
Galop di Concert (with Organ) ..... Ganz
Earle Heald and Leonard Acton.

Throughout the evening's performance each number elicited unusual applause and several encores were demanded. Special mention should be made of the artistic rendering of Miss Gladys Hewlings in Liszt's Liebestraume, No. 3, who showed remarkable ability in execution and expression for so young a student.

Miss Mary Sturgiss received a vigorous encore for her characteristic playing of Tschaikowsky's Barcarolle and Rubenstein's Romance, and Miss Shields for her sympathetic rendition of the beautiful Nocturne, Op. 37, No. 2, by Chopin. The rich tone of the pipe organ used, always subordinately with the piano, was very effective in the Meditation of Bach-Gounod, and the selection from Beethoven's Symphony, as well as the lighter numbers.

FREIGHT OFFICIAL ON WESTERN END

J. E. Dairymple Has Been Appointed to Important Position Under G. T. P.

J. E. Dairymple, general freight agent of the Grand Trunk railway system, with hadquarters in Montreal, is to be transferred to Winnipeg and will become the chief freight officer of the Grand Trunk Pacific in the West, according to an announcement made by the Montreal Gazette of a recent date. The question of the title to be borne by Mr. Dairymple has not yet been decided, but the transfer will be made on the 1st of March, from which date the appointment is said to be effective. The policy of dispatching Mr. Dairymple to Winnipeg has been decided on according to the Gazette in view of the early completion of the Grand Trunk Pacific from Winnipeg to Edmonton, thus giving the G. T. P. a share of the freight business of the entire freight producing area between the Red River and the mountains. The Gazette anticipates that the new railway will handle a considerable portion of the grain crop of the country through which it passes in the fall of the present year, and compares this district to that between Montreal and Chicago. The freight possibilities of the country traversed by the line are described as being necessarily very great, hence the decision of the company to have a leading official early on the ground. Mr. Loud, the freight traffic manager of both the Grand Trunk and the Grand Trunk Pacific, was in the West last summer, and it is stated that at that time the question of future arrangements in connection with the administration of the business of the company was very fully considered, and the present action of the management partly decided on.

In this connection it is interesting to note that in spite of the fact that the winter season is so well advanced, active operations in connection with tracklaying on the line west of the city are still in full progress, and there is little prospect that they will be terminated at all this winer. The end of the line is now at the Touchwood Hills, 347 miles from Winnipeg, the other end being at Watrous station. The gap between the two ends of track has been reduced to 65 miles. Between Winnipeg and Portage the dump is practically complete, and in one month the connection could be made between these two points. It is therefore apparent that the time is close at hand when a considerable portion of the system of the company will be under full operation.

Mr. Dairymple is still a young man under forty years of age. He is a born Canadian, and has been all his life in the service of the Grand Trunk, although he has spent some years in the service of the related road in the United States, especially the old Chicago and Grand Trunk, now fully incorporated with the Grand Trunk. His transfer to Winnipeg marks a distinct advance in connection with the development of the G. T. P. in the West.

IN AID OF TEAM.

Concert to be Given for Benefit of Y. M. C. A. Football Team.

All association football players in Victoria are aware that the Y. M. C. A. teams, both senior and intermediate, have been putting up a hard and sportsmanlike fight both in the city League and Island League, and while not league leaders are yet "playing the game." An effort is being made by means of a concert to raise funds to meet the expenses of the teams in railway fares, etc., and every player, as well as follower of the game, it is safe to say, will not grudge the price of the ticket, (25c.), next Wednesday evening at the First Presbyterian church schoolroom where the concert is to be held. Details of the programme have already been published, but it is sufficient to state that the arrangement for it is in the hands of J. G. Brown, the veteran footballer, as well as vocalist. Tickets can be secured from members of the teams, Secretary Brace, and Physical Instructor Findlay, and members of First Presbyterian Church choir; also members of teams and Y. M. C. A. boys.

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A Good Programme is Offered This Week at This Theatre.

During the past week the audiences who attended the Arcade enjoyed a very attractive programme, and the comments have invariably been favorable. The public of Victoria now have the opportunity of seeing pictures of the very highest character obtainable, and they are taking advantage of it.

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—On St. Valentine's night, February 14th, the annual ball of the Odd Fellows will be given, and preparations are being made to have this year's event one of the most successful of all. The Sisters of Rebecca have charge of the preparation of the supper. Miss Thain's orchestra of four pieces has been engaged.

—This evening the literary committee of the Young People's Society of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church have charge of the meeting and promise a programme better than any of their previous efforts. Miss Burris, of the High school teaching staff, has prepared an excellent paper on "Robert Browning," while Miss Lawson, Miss Mowat and others will contribute reading, recitations and musical selections, as many as possible being from Browning. All friends and strangers are cordially invited to attend.

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—To-morrow afternoon at 2 o'clock the funeral of the late Mrs. Pedersen will take place from her late residence, 1023 Caledonia avenue. Rev. F. T. Tapscott will conduct the services.

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CHOICE MADE OF ISLAND TEAM

FIRST MATCH WAS PLAYED AT LADYSMITH

Muddy Conditions Interfered With Game—Other News of Sporting World.

(Special Correspondence).

Ladysmith, Feb. 8.—On a heavy, sodden field, under a continuous downpour of rain, the two picked island teams fought out the question of places for the All-Island eleven which later will meet the mainland star combination. After threatening all the morning, the rain began to fall just prior to the arrival of the players, and, although at times, it slowed up, it never really stopped and was coming down harder than ever towards the end of the game. The field itself was on the soft and heavy side at the commencement of play, and was in a deplorable condition before the game ended. This, besides making it most uncomfortable for the spectators made the task of the selection committee considerably more difficult than it would have been. Certainly it says something for the enthusiasm with which the people of Ladysmith follow the game that such a respectable crowd should have turned out to witness the struggle and stayed to see it finished.

As was generally expected the A team won comfortably, the score reading 3 goals to 1. But the game was hardly everything it was expected to be. The muddy, slippery surface of the ground and the greasy, treacherous condition of the ball may have largely accounted for this, but the players themselves were largely to blame. To begin with there was no comparison between the two forward lines. The B team vanguard never showed any real combination, and always excepting Cruickshanks, their individual play was away below par. Telford was a rank failure at outside right. Peters and Johnnie were never in the game, and Arthur Morrison also was right off color.

It was largely owing to this ineffectiveness of the forward line that the A team should early in the game have shown marked superiority. Adam and his men worked like a machine and occasionally there were flashes of combination, the like of which has rarely been seen on the island. More than that every man was dangerous individually and required constant and careful watching. They got down from the kick-off and Shorty Graham gave early proof that he was off form and less reliable than he has ever been seen on a football field.

Five minutes from the start the A team scored. The ball was sent in from the right and Graham completely missed the kick. Peden could have picked up and cleared, but took a kick instead. The leather struck Farmer and bounced back straight into the net.

The game was only a minute older when the second goal was scored. Adam got the ball in front of goal, and although three men piled themselves on him, he came out in front and easily beat Peden. There ought at least to have been two other goals in this half, but the men in white picked their goal and, aided by poor and faulty shooting, prevented any further scoring.

For the second half Peden, Graham and O'Connell played for the A team, changing places with Hewitt, Lorimer and Bradshaw. This put the A team forwards up against the two crack backs, and certainly the latter were provided with a little more work. But they were unable to keep their charge intact. From a pass by Adam, Granger dodged and manoeuvred for a position, and with a man on each side of him, beat Bradshaw with the prettiest shot of the match.

Then came a goal to the whites, for which Cruickshanks was mainly responsible. He passed out to Peters, and the latter racing away, shot in. There was a whirring melee for a moment and then Johnnie securing possession, scraped out to Morrison, who drove into the net. The A team men played up from the kick-off, and once, after Adam had beaten Hewitt, Blandell was left with the goal at his mercy. However, he mulled the shot, and the game ended with the score of 3 to 1 in favor of the A team.

Of the Victorians in the game, Thackeray and Lorimer were easily the most conspicuous. The former played a hard, clever game against the strongest wing on the field. Duffy also put in some good work, but was outpointed both by Thackeray and Harley, the Nanaimo man playing a fine game. Williams also showed up good, and, on the day's play, was a better man than Peters. Telford was a failure, playing away down below his regular form. Of the B team forwards the only player worth considering is Cruickshanks. Johnnie played a poor game and more than anybody else, spoiled the forward line. Peters also was off color and Morrison has often been seen to greater advantage.

McKinley gave a good account of himself in his new position. He works harder than Johnson and is much faster. Farmer played a good game at right half and there is little to choose between him and Dufty. Graham was out of it and O'Connell forced into left back, did extremely well. His kicking was always good and he attended to Blundell in smart fashion. Peden played a clever game in spite of his initial mistake, but he is not the equal of Bradshaw.

It is not possible to make much improvement to the A team forward line. Of the halves Harley showed up best, but it has to be remembered that in Telford he had a weak man to check. Johnson plays on the defensive too much and is slow in tackling. Still there is not much choice for the centre half position and, on the whole, the A team cannot be much improved.

Ed. Whyte refereed the game to the satisfaction of players and spectators alike.

The selection committee met after the match and the following team was chosen to represent the Island against the Mainland:

A. Bradshaw (Nanaimo)	Goal
P. Hewett (Nanaimo)	R. B.
S. Lorimer (J. B. A. A.)	S. B.
J. McKinley (Ladysmith)	R. H. B.
Johnson (Y. M. C. A.)	C. H.
S. Harley (Nanaimo)	L. H. B.
J. Blundell (Nanaimo)	O. R. F.
Cruickshanks (Nanaimo)	I. R. F.
J. Adam (Ladysmith)	C. F.
J. Graham (Ladysmith)	I. L. F.
Williams (Esquimalt)	O. L. F.

Reserves—Thackeray (Y. M. C. A.), Grainger, O'Connell, Ladysmith.

There is not much fault to be found with the team. It is quistionable whether Cruickshanks can displace Grainger and it is a cruel injustice to Thackeray that he should not have obtained a position. On Saturday he was the best half back on the field without exception and with all impartial judges of the game, easily attained his place.

PEOPLE'S SHIELD.

For some time a Vancouver committee has been working on the regulations which are to govern the competition for the People's Shield. Copies of the regulations have been approved by practically all the clubs in the province and they are now published. They are as follows:

1. The entire control and management of the competition 1907-8, shall be vested in the committee.

2. The competing teams must be composed of bona fine members of their respective clubs, and while the players of each team may be changed, no individual shall play for more than one club in the competition. A bona fide member is one who has been a recognized playing member of his club not less than twenty-eight days previous to the match, and shall not have played less than three competition matches for his club.

3. The games shall be governed by the laws of the E. F. A.

4. No professional will be allowed to compete.

5. The names of the clubs entered for competition shall be placed by the committee in lots and shall be drawn from such lots in couples at a time.

These couples shall compete with each other and the winners be again drawn as before, and so on until the final tie is played. The lots shall be drawn and the competition played on grounds selected by the committee.

6. In case of a draw an extra half hour must be played. If the game remain drawn after the extra half hour it shall be replayed as the committee may determine.

7. All questions of elegibility, qualifications of competitors, interpretations of the rules or laws, as well as all matters in dispute, shall be referred to the committee, whose decision shall be final.

8. The proceeds of matches will be pooled and after paying for medals, advertising, grounds and other expenses of the matches the balance to be divided among the teams competing pro-rata of their travelling expenses.

9. The committee shall have the power of choosing referees and linesman.

10. In addition to the shield the committee will present medals to the winners, funds permitting.

PRACTICE GAME.

On Saturday afternoon at the Beacon Hill grounds the Esquimalt football team defeated the J. B. A. A. seniors by a score of two goals to nil. Both teams were scratch ones, as many players of both teams were playing in the big test game in Ladysmith and the intermediates took their places. The game was very even all the way through. A good turnout of lovers of association witnessed the game. J. W. Lorimer acted as referee.

RUGBY FOOTBALL.

VICTORIA VICTORY.

There was some very pretty Rugby at Oak Bay on Saturday, when the home team defeated Nanaimo Hornets by a score of 21 to nil, but, as the score would indicate, there was not much of a contest. Victoria had the game in their hands all through, but their kicking was wretched, the ball not going near the goal on either of the seven occasions.

The ground was in very good condition except for the one mud hole, and some very fine sprinting was done by several of the local men. There was not much of a crowd out to meet the visiting team, but the fact that the game could have no bearing on the standing of the league was responsible for this.

The tries for the winners were made by Brae 2, Harvey 2, Meredith 1, Nason 1, and Miller 1. That made by Nason was the most spectacular, as he ran all around the visitors, placing the ball just in the corner on his left wing. All the home men played well, but the opposition was enough to bring out very little brilliant work. The teams lined up as follows:

Victoria		Nanaimo
Johnston	Fullback	Coldcough
Harvey	Threequarters	Wilson
Meredith		Stewart
Thompson		Dyke
Nason		Humphrey
Newcomb	Halves	Folk
Brae		Milburn
Adams	Forwards	Piper
Spencer		Jordan
Miller		Killeen
Sweeney		Collier
Arbuckle		Roper
Couch		Saunders
Milligan		Brown
Gowen		Carruthers

Referee—J. C. Barnacle.

VICTORY OF WALES.

By 28 points to 18, Wales defeated England in the Rugby international at Bristol recently, and for the first time takes the lead in the series of matches, having now won twelve to England's eleven. It is ten years since England gained her last victory.

Unfortunately a dense fog enveloped the field, and it was only at times that any of the play or players were visible. A pity, for, judging by the scoring, the match must have been one of the most brilliant from a spectator's point of view in the history of internationals. Not one of the tries gained by the Welshmen in the second half was seen from the stand, and if was only by listening to the shouts that arose from that corner that one could judge what had happened.

In spite of their defeat the Englishmen's play was distinctly promising; indeed, the outlook this year is brighter than it has been for some years past, for never before has a beaten team scored 18 points in an international. The forwards must settle down quicker, for the game was practically lost in the first twenty minutes, when the Welshmen did what they liked. After that the English forwards quite held their own, but could never regain that lost lead.

The match was witnessed by over 30,000 spectators.

COLLEGIATE'S WIN.

The Collegiate under 16 team won a decisive victory over the University team on Saturday at Oak Bay in a league game. The university were assisted by six boys of the Queen's school. The first half was fairly even, the only score being an unconverted try made by Grant, of the Collegiates, after a very pretty run. In the second half the Collegiate team had matters entirely their own way and two tries were scored by Grant, two by W. Ross, one by Sherborne and one by Scharshmidt.

For the losers Dickson, of the Queen's school, and Rich, Shildrick and Flint played well, while for the Collegiates, Grant, Ross and Scharschmidt shone in attack, and Proctor and Shires in the defence. The score at the close of the game was 25 to 0.

BASKETBALL.

SPOKANE TO VISIT HERE.

The Spokane Y. M. C. A. next season will enter the basket ball field with enthusiasm and at least four clubs will be organized to form part of junior and senior leagues, City and Y. M. C. A. leagues. It is even possible that at the windup of the season a series will be arranged with Y. M. C. A. clubs at Portland, Seattle, Tacoma, Bellingham, Vancouver, and Victoria, says the Spokesman Review.

"Athletics were taken up too late last fall to warrant our organizing clubs to compete with outsiders, but crack players are being developed rapidly and we will be in condition next fall to enter the field," remarked Physical Director Cowley of the Y. M. C. A. "There is already in existence a Y. M. C. A. league which embraces Seattle, Tacoma, Bellingham, Portland, Vancouver and Victoria, and while there is a possibility of Spokane entering such a body next season, it does not seem plausible, as there would be too much traveling and the expense would be too high. A series of games with the fastest clubs would be a great thing, however, and this may be arranged.

"We have good material and with a little more work will be in position to compete with outside clubs."

NO GAME PLAYED.

The old sore of city basketball seems to have opened up again as a result of a misunderstanding. Saturday night was to have seen a match between the Victoria West and James Bay senior basketball teams in the drill hall. The official referee was absent and the teams could not reach an agreement as to a substitute.

Secretary Stewart stated that Chas. Smith had been appointed as official referee, but was out of town and so occasioned the misunderstanding at the last moment.

EASY WIN FOR Y. M. C. A.

The senior basketball game between 5th Regiment and Y. M. C. A. in drill hall on Saturday evening ended in a win for the latter by a score of 21 points to 6. The score represents the relative merits of the teams, the Y. M. C. A. being superior at all stages of the game. The game was to have been the preliminary of an expected harder game between the J. B. A. A. and Y. W. A. A., but owing to a misunderstanding the Bays defaulted. From the start the Y. M. C. A. forced matters, and led a pace that was killing to the soldiers. While the Regiment players were fast during the first period of the game their scoring was very poor and only 3 points were scored. The passing was close, and for the first 15 minutes the Regiment kept the game well in hand. At half time the score stood 8 to 3 in favor of the Y. M. C. A. Whyte scored 5 points and Gawley 3 for the Y. M. C. A., while Jones was responsible for the points bagged by the Regiment. The second half was easy for Instructor Findlay's quintette; they combined well, passed quickly, led the pace and shot accurately. The game as an exhibition was too one-sided to be exciting, but was interesting from the fact that the use and powers of an effective combination was demonstrated. To be able to pass behind, where you know a man is, but cannot see him, and to know when to receive a pass is the result of a perfect combination. This system was shown to a marked degree last Saturday. The shooting of the Regiment was very poor, and even when a good opportunity was given, the opening was seldom made use of by a good shot. Jones saved the last 3 points. Bob Whyte is evidently back in form again and was responsible for no less than 21 out of the 30 points scored by his side. Throughout the game Whyte was away the best player of both times. The other Y. M. C. A. goals in the second half were scored by Rosekamp, Gawley, 2, and Peden, 2. This win, with its two points in the league schedule now places the Y. M. C. A. in a position from which the championship can be viewed pretty closely. The league stands as follows:

	Plyd.	Won	Lost	Points.
Y. M. C. A.	7	5	2	10
J. B. A. A.	7	4	3	8
V. W. A. A.	7	4	3	8
5th Regt.	6	2	4	4
F. A. C.	5	1	4	2

YACHTING.

OTHERS FOLLOW.

The Royal Vancouver Yacht Club can truly say, "We lead, others follow." For over a year the club has been agitating for sane scantling restrictions, and a committee of the Northwest International Yacht Racing Association adopted what is known as the Owen restrictions some months ago. Now comes word that the Atlantic Coast Racing Association has followed the example of the Pacific Northwest.

As reported some time ago, Ted Geary, who is studying naval architecture at Boston, was appointed delegate to the Atlantic Coast conference on behalf of the yachtsmen in these waters. The Atlantic yachtsmen have for a long time been looking for restrictions which would promote a healthy and sane racing yacht which did not necessarily sacrifice stability for speed. Inquiries were made, and when it was found that Vancouver and the Sound had led the way by adopting Owen's theory the Atlantic men were not slow in following suit, and now there is unanimity between coast and coast on this most important question. The one difference is that the Atlantic board has insisted on cabins for all subsequent boats over 15 feet.

Yet another feather in the cap of Vancouver sailormen is the news just received that the International Racing Board of Europe has adopted the same rules which were put in vogue here a year ago. The conference was held in Paris, and representatives were present from Great Britain, Austria-Hungary, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Holland, Belgium, Italy, Norway, Sweden, Spain and Switzerland, and this conference adopted racing rules which are practically word for word with those in force on this coast.

ROLLER SKATING.

TO FORM LEAGUE.

"It is probable that within a very short time Victoria will be represented in a new branch of sport through the formation of a rolo polo league that will embrace clubs representing the cities of Seattle, Vancouver, Tacoma, Everett, Bellingham and possibly other American towns.

"Active steps are at present being taken by the management of the different clubs in these cities to place the game of rolo polo on a stable footing, and with this end in view delegates from the above-mentioned towns will meet in the very near future to organize a Rolo Polo Association and to draft a schedule including these towns and possibly others. The delegates will probably convene in Seattle, but the date of this meeting has not been definitely fixed.

THE RING.

FIFTEEN ROUNDS.

In connection with the much-talked-of Adams-Paris fight, yesterday's Vancouver News-Advertiser has the following:

After waiting several days George Paris, boxing instructor at the Vancouver Athletic Club, yesterday received a telegram from Wat Adams of Victoria, in which the latter says he is willing to meet the local man in a 15-round bout in Nanaimo. However, before anything further is done, Paris will post his forfeit money and will ask Adams to cover it if he means business.

Harry Duker, who will promote the affair, will go to Victoria in a few days and have Adams sign the articles. Paris is anxious to have the Victoria man put up a little side bet.

THE RIFLE.

CADETS SCORING.

On Saturday morning the first target practice at the drill hall was held by the High school cadets. The following is the result, out of a possible 25: Lieut. Hartman, 20; Sergt.-Major Wellwood, 20; Cadet Duck, 20; Cadet Armstrong, 20; Bom. Hanna, 18; Sergt. McNaughton, 17; Sergt. Lawson, 17; Corp. Schilling, 17; Cadet Pineo, 17; Cadet Stewart, 17; Lieut. Boggs, 16; Bom. Moore, 16.

GENERAL NOTES.

Four teams are going over to Vancouver next Saturday. The High school will take three to compete for the Thompson cups. The Rugby, basketball and ladies' hockey are the teams that go from the High school and the J. B. A. A. Rugby men. Trere is also a big crowd of rooters intending to make the trip. They will get a special rate for the occasion.

Wat Adams is training hard for his fight with George Paris, the physical instructor of the Vancouver Athletic Club, which is expected to take place in Nanaimo on Thursday or Friday of this week. He is "working out" every afternoon at the J. B. A. A. gymnasium at 3 o'clock where those who wish may drop in and watch.

On Saturday afternoon the ladies' hockey team, of this city, had a full turnout in preparation for their game with Vancouver in the near future. The ladies expect to be in the best of shape when they meet the Terminal City club before their American cousins.

Elkins, the Y. M. C. A. runner who kept with Chandler until near the end and then dropped out with a sprained ankle, is recovering very slowly. It is thought that he may never be able to run again.

The James Bay Athletic Association Rugby team will practice on Tuesday and Thursday evenings in readiness for the game against McGill University at Vancouver on Saturday.

There is talk of a Rugby game between the All-Island and Vancouver teams. It is not, however, thought that Nanaimo could strengthen the Victoria team much.

MARRIED A HUNDRED YEARS.

All Hungary is interested, writes a correspondent of the Paris Gaulois, in the fetes celebrating the hundredth anniversary of the wedding of a couple named Szathmani, in the village of Isoubolgi.

The husband's age is given at 120, his wife's as 116, and their descendants, unmbering 712, all live in the neighboring country. They live in a little cottage, both nearly blind, and pass most of their time sleeping. A pipe and an occasional glass of wine is the husband's recreation. Neither has ever left the village or seen a railway train.

The Emperor Francis Joseph has asked for official details that he may congratulate them.

At Tredadoc, Wales, lives an aged couple—John Burke and his wife—who have a long record of married life. Mr. Burke is aged 104 and his wife 90. They are Irish, but have been living in Wales for the last 40 years. Both enjoy good health, and Burke frequently walks to Portmadoc, a mile away.

Writing to a London paper, a correspondent mentions the case of another Hungarian couple, John Rovin and his wife, who died in 1741, at Temesvar, in the 148th year of their marriage. Rovin was 172 years of age and his wife 164. They left two sons and two daughters, besides many grandchildren. Their youngest son was 116.

GET ON THE VOTERS LIST.

The term of the present Parliament of Canada does not expire until the year 1910, that of the legislature of British Columbia not until two more sessions of the House have been held, but elections sometimes come "as a thief in the night," and it is well for all who take an interest in the affairs of the country, as all good citizens ought to do, to be prepared for eventualities. A very great number of persons have arrived in Victoria and neighborhood during the past year. Many of them have come from the British Isles, more of them from the prairies and the eastern sections of Canada. Now it is characteristic of all Eastern Canadians that they are born, as the poet says, either little Liberals or little Conservatives. Some of them change their political coats in later years of discretion, and the strength of the Liberal party lies in the fact that the change is based upon reason, common sense and sound judgment. It is the duty of our brother Britons from over the seas to divest themselves of whatever political principles they may have cherished "at home" and to form new convictions based upon an intelligent study of the political situation in this new country. For the foregoing reasons we desire to emphasize the fact announced in the news columns of the Times last evening that the names of all who desire to vote in any elections that may be held within a certain time should be placed upon the lists before the last Monday in March, which will be the 30th proximo. The court for the revision of the lists will sit on the first Monday in May. The qualifications are simple. All that is required of the voter is that he shall be of the full age of 21 years, a British subject and a resident of the province for six months. No property qualification whatever is required, something a great many persons who are properly qualified do not seem to understand.

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Steamer Princess Victoria—Sails for Vancouver 1 a. m. daily. Returning, leaves Vancouver 1.30 p. m., arrives Victoria 6.30 p. m.

Steamer Princess Royal—Sails for Seattle at 8.30 a. m. daily (except Monday). Returning, sails from Seattle 11.30 p. m. daily (except Monday), arriving here shortly after 6 a. m.

AGITATION FOR ELECTRIC LIGHT

Ladysmith Citizens Determined to Have Much Needed Reform.

(Special Correspondence).

Ladysmith, Feb. 10.—The Citizens' League is determined to press for the installation of an electric lighting system. At the last meeting it was decided to ask the city council to engage a man to go round the town for the purpose of ascertaining how many lights would be taken. In the meantime a committee is looking into the question, getting information from other cities, and communicating with electrical engineering firms. It is just probable that there will be a lighting system in the town by next winter.

"$50 Reward."

Wm. Hooper, who has built himself a residence on First avenue, recently complained to the city council that 1,700 feet of dressed lumber and 2,000 shingles had been taken from his property. He has an even more serious charge to make. Last week he was in Vancouver for some days on business. He returned on Wednesday and on going up to his house on Thursday discovered that a fire had been set in one of the bedrooms. The fire had been kindled with shingles and had burned a hole clean through the cedar base-board, only the fact that the walls were still damp stopped the whole building from being destroyed. Mr. Hooper is offering $50 reward to any one who can give information that will lead to the conviction of the guilty persons.

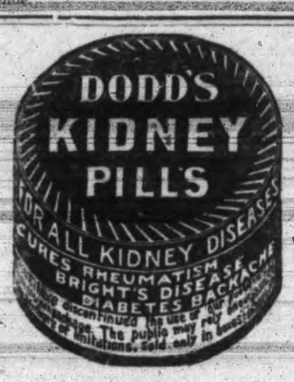
B. and A. Fund.

The following disbursements were made by the B. and A. fund during the month of January: Ed. McMillan, $15.50; A. Barch, $31; Jas. Conlin, $27; G. Inkster, $31; Jas. Crossan, $31; Louis Scropila, $12; John Mairhover (4 months), $100; Geo. Keserich, $27; Thos. Barr, $3; Wm. Jolly, $6; John Gillespie, $6; A. Miller, $13; Joe Previdel, $13; Wm. Secord, $4; Joe Lapatich, $14.25; Fred. Fielding, $14; Henry Custison, $20; expenses, $50.60. Total disbursements, $418.35.

SMUGGLING SALMON.

New Westminster, Feb. 8.—The fisheries department has confiscated a trunk load of steelhead salmon caught in prohibited waters. The fish were shipped from Mount Leaman up near Mission to a Chinese firm in this city.

The Indian railways are the cheapest in the world. The average charge for passengers is one-fifth of a penny per mile, and for goods a halfpenny a ton per mile.



News From Four Corners of B. C.

Interesting Happenings Gleaned From All Sources in the Province

LARGE SHIPMENT FROM GRANBY MINE

Snowshoe Property is Again Working—Will Ship to Trail.

Phoenix, B. C., Feb. 8.—The record of the Granby mines for ore shipping for last week was larger than for any week since shipments were begun after the fall close-down, being 22,011 tons for the seven days. This was due to the fact that the entire battery of eight blast furnaces are in operation at the smelter, and are being operated at as full capacity as possible.

For January the Granby mines shipped to the company's smelter 74,903 dry tons of ore, and this in spite of the fact that during the first part of the month but part of the furnaces were in operation while the plant was being gotten under full headway. Only two or three times during 1907 did the company ship more ore in any one month, July being the first month that showed larger figures. Figuring on a basis of about 24 pounds of copper per ton of ore, the Granby produced about 1,725,000 pounds of the red metal during January.

For January the only low grade copper mines being operated in the Boundary were those of the Granby company. This week, however, a few men were put at work at the Snowshoe mine of the Consolidated company, and it is understood that a shipment of some 300 or 400 tons of ore will be made to the company's smelter at Trail. This ore is now all broken down in the Snowshoe mine, and it can be run out and loaded on C. P. R. ore dumps, and taken over to Trail in a solid train.

The Snowshoe ore is known to be valuable at Trail for fluxing. Nothing has been stated as yet regarding the resumption of permanent operations at the Snowshoe mine.

B. C. ELECTRIC HAS BIG PROGRAMME

Will Spend $200,000 on Interurban and City Cars on Mainland.

New Westminster, Feb. 8. — Four more modern up-to-date interurban cars, two work cars and 20 city cars, the whole valued at approximately $200,000, is the output outlined for the B. C. E. R. car shops of this city for the present year.

Last season owing to the large demand the company were obliged to send east for ten cars to be used on the city lines, the same being received minus the wheels, inside fittings, etc., which appurtenances were later installed in the company's shops here. A number of these cars, which measure 38 feet overall and have seating capacity for 40 persons, have already been turned out and are now in operation in Vancouver, and the remainder will be finished in the course of a couple of weeks, following which work will be actively started on this years' programme.

ON LADYSMITH WATERFRONT.

Vessls Which Called at Wellington Colliery Wharves During Past Week.

(Special Correspondence).

Ladysmith, Feb. 10.—The following vessels called at the Wellington Colliery Company's wharves, Ladysmith, during the week ending February 8th: Sea Lion, fuel; Dola and scows, cargo; Burrard, fuel; Princess Ena, fuel; Commodore, Queen City and Venture, fuel; Lonsdale, fuel and cargo; ClaybURN and scows for cargo; Czar with the barrge Sydney for cargo; the Oscar, William Joliffe and Shamrock called on Saturday, and the Nordenskfold, a big freighter, is taking on a cargo.

The Lonsdale reported having lost two Japs in the Fraser. She is a Canadian-Mexican boat, and some Japs boarded her at Mazatlan. They were refused a landing at New Westminster, and four of them in their desperation jumped overboard. Two were fished out, but the other two were drowned.

The Princess Ena is the new C. P. R. freighter, and this was her first visit to Ladysmith.

PROPOSED TUNNEL.

Scheme to Tap Underground Leads in the Boundary.

Greenwood, Feb. 9.—It is proposed to run a tunnel from Greenwood to Phoenix, tapping the leads between here and there, and getting under Phoenix 2,100 feet. The tunnel would be a little over three miles in length and cost three millions of dollars. Chicago capitalists are interested in the project and have already elected a president for the preliminary company, and a representative will soon be in Greenwood to look over the ground. If built, this tunnel will vastly increase the business of Greenwood.

LYNN VALLEY PROGRESS.

Shingle Mill Under Construction Expected to Attract Settlers.

Lynn Valley, Feb. 9.—The new shingle mill under construction is rapidly approaching completion, and marks another step in the onward march of the valley. Quite a village has sprung up around the schoolhouse, and residents have unbounded confidence in the future of the section.

The mill is a subsidiary concern of the Lynn Valley Lumber Company, and will bring in a number of new settlers.

WILL SHIP TO TRAIL.

Hewitt Company Has Extensive System of Development on Hand.

Nelson, Feb. 9.—The lease of the Wakefield mill from the Hewitt company by the Vancouver group expired on the first of this month. The Vancouver will now have to make new arrangements for the treatment of its ore.

On the other hand the Hewitt, which is completing an extensive system of development, and which has finished two tramways, the longer running from the mine to the mill, and the shorter connecting Nos. 3 and 6 levels, will now begin shipping and treating ore in fairly large quantities. It is expected that the ore mined will be about a hundred tons a day, which will mean the shipments of two or three cars of concentrates every week to the Trail smelter.

BIG MINING DEAL IS PROJECTED

AINSWORTH LEADS TO MERGE WITH KRAO

Amalgamation Will Have Capital of $2,000,000—Operations Outlined.

Nelson, Feb. 8.—Mining news from Ainsworth just now is principally concerned with the proposed Krao amalgamation with several claims between it and Coffee creek and with the Taylor Air Compressor Company. The Krao lead runs southerly from that property for 8,000 feet to Coffee creek. There are seven claims through which it is traced. There has been difficulty in working the Krao because the pumps have not been sufficiently large to handle the water made by the mine in sinking. The proposal is to run a tunnel from Coffee creek 8,000 feet through the claims alluded to up to the Krao, gaining a depth upon that property of 1,000 feet. This would do away with the expensive pumping and at the same time develop a far more economical system of mining. At the same time the other claims would be thoroughly opened. It is proposed to take the Taylor Air Compressor, situated upon Coffee creek nearby the point where the long tunnel would start, into the amalgamation.

As the tunnel would be a drift and not a crosscut ore would be handled from the very start. A mill could be erected upon the Crescent claim, not far from Coffee creek, or upon some other suitable point, to handle the ore met in driving upon the ore body. The whole scheme would be aided by the natural air compressor of the Taylor Company.

The financial part of the scheme is to form a company at a capitalization of about $2,000,000, and to apportion to the owner of each of the properties a pro rata amount of the stock in payment for the claim according to the amount of development done. The Krao itself is capitalized at $600,000. On the other hand the Krao will see that a working capital of $250,000 is subscribed. There is no intention of making any start until such time as the working capital has been provided for.

The claims concerned are Blackbird and Glengarry, lying alongside the Krao, and the Crow Fledgling, Fitch Fraction, Union, Last Chance, Crescent and Eden, lying in the order named between the Krao and Coffee creek. Some of these properties have been worked more than others. One was worked last fall and the intention was to erect a mill upon it, but as the price of metals fell the undertaking was abandoned for the present.

There would be no particular difficulty in shipping the concentrates and ore, inasmuch as from the outlet by the Air Compressor down Coffee creek to Kootenay lake, to a point about three miles south of Ainsworth, is but three-quarters of a mile. There is already a wagon road over this route.

Speaking of the matter, A. D. Wheeler, the former owner of the Krao and who has been working the Crescent, said that practically all the parties concerned, Canadians or Americans, had agreed to the amalgamation, and he thought it was now merely a question of adjusting the various allotments of stock. As to the raising of the quarter million of working capital necessary, Mr. Wheeler seemed to think there would be no insuperable difficulties in the way. The proposition was one that ought to be yielding returns from the very start, and, as is well known, the Krao lead is very rich.

CARNIVAL AT ROSSLAND.

Chinook Spoiled Sport on Trial Day—Results of Events.

Rossland, B. C., Feb. 6.—A chinook wind which blew through the early morning and most of the day played havoc with the snow, and spoiled much of the carnival sport in the open air. The first event, a seven-mile ski race for a silver cup presented by J. A. Johnson and silver and bronze medals, was won by A. Iverson in a field of eight starters. Inverson's time was 1.33. W. K. Knudson was second, in 1.34, and T. Iverson third in 1.34½.

There were snowshoe races for boys and girls and men, which produced plenty of excitement.

In the junior championship hockey tournament Rossland beat Trail 8 to 1. Horse and pony races featured the afternoon along Columbia avenue, the principal thoroughfare of the town. M. Henderson's "Oregon Jim" won the first prize of $50; W. C. Martin's "Roney" second, $25, and M. Henderson's "Gray Jim" third, $15. In the pony race W. C. Martin's "Roney" was first, $25; Rossland-Trail Livery Company's "Buttons" second, $15, and W. Evans' "Skidoo" third, $10.

In the early evening there was a picturesque snowshoe parade and torchlight procession to end the day, which was known as Trail day. There were many visitors from the smelter city.

In Australia engagement rings are lent out by certain jewellers as part of their ordinary trade.

B. C. MINING RETURNS FOR PAST WEEK

Figures Showing Ore Shipments and Smelter Receipts of Province.

Nelson, B. C., Feb. 8.—The following are the shipments from the mines and receipts at the smelters of Southeastern British Columbia for the past week and year to date. Shipments:

Boundary—Granby, 17,011 week, 86,343 year; Daily, 23 week; total, 17,034 week, 86,366 year.

Rossland—Centre Star, 3,107 and 20,859; Le Roi No. 1, 500 and 4,262; Le Roi No. 2, 1,743 and 3,452; Evening Star, 32 and 113; total, 5,382 week, 33,775 year.

East of Columbia River—Sullivan, 600 and 3,300; St. Eugene, 329 and 2,851; Whitewater (milled), 280 and 1,540; Queen, 30 and 78; Queen (milled), 185 and 1,015; North Star, 68 and 360; Vancouver, 21 and 332; Arlington, Erie, 41 and 306; Standard, 32 and 206; Richmond, 76 and 173; Nugget, 44 and 132; Emerald, 24 and 132; Maestro, week, 42; Granite, week, 40; Molly Hughes, week, 27. Other mines during year, 4,562; total, 2,089 week, and 16,420 year.

Total shipments, 24,505 week, 136,567 year.

Smelter receipts — Granby, 17,011 week, 136,567 year; Trail, 4,649 and 31,068; Le Roi No. 1, 560 and 9,840; Marysville, 675 and 3,705. Total receipts, 23,895 week; 181,180 year.

HIS LEG TORN OFF.

Shocking Accident Befalls Belgian at Fernie.

Fernie, B. C., Feb. 8.—A Belgian named John Fambo was fatally injured at the coke ovens here yesterday afternoon. Through some misunderstanding, the signal was given to the engineer to start the engine, when Fambo, who had a leg outside the cab, was crushed against the timbers of the chute. His leg was torn off and other parts of his body were crushed.

TO PLAY SHAMROCKS FOR MINTO CUP

Royal City Wants to Make Bid for World's Lacrosse Championship.

New Westminster, Feb. 9.—It was decided at a special meeting of the executive of the New Westminster lacrosse club that Mayor Keary should be empowered to make arrangements, if possible, for the New Westminster team to play the Shamrocks of Montreal for the Minto cup and the championship of the world, and that the games should be played at the Dominion fair at Calgary.

Mayor Keary will leave for the East in a few days, and President Henderson and Secretary Ryall, of the club, will hold a conference with him and fully instruct him on the matter of arranging the matches.

The club also dealt with a letter from F. R. Glover, stating that he had received the Gifford cup from Hon. Maurice Gifford, but was awaiting the formal acceptance of the trophy before presenting it. The donor has offered the cup for the championship of British Columbia, but the local club at the meeting last night decided to ask the donor to offer it for the championship of Western Canada, as it would create more interest.

TAKEN TO ASYLUM.

Former C. P. R. Employee Goes Suddenly Mad at Rossland.

Rossland, Feb. 8.—Officer Stewart has gone to New Westminster, having in charge Joseph McClelland, an insane man. McClelland worked for years as a car repairer for the Canadian Pacific railway at Montreal. About three months since he came West and secured work as car repairer for the Canadian Pacific at Vancouver. A month since he was laid off and came to Rossland. A couple of weeks ago he was found in the barn of a milkman outside the city. He had removed about two tons of hay from the barn, throwing it out in the snow. When asked by the surprised owner of the barn the reason of his strange action he replied that the government had directed him to regulate affairs in this section, and he thought there was much need of some one to settle matters, which had gone astray.

McClelland had evidently been a steady and saving man, for he has $1,500 to his credit in the post office savings department.

HOSPITAL FOR VANCOUVER.

Institution Will Cost $10,000—To Be Enlarged Later.

Vancouver, Feb. 10.—At a special meeting of the North Vancouver hospital board it was decided that a general hospital was an absolute necessity for the city, and the plans that have been drawn were heartily approved of by all the members of the board.

It is proposed to erect an up-to-date modern building that will accommodate twelve patients, and when conditions warrant it will be enlarged. It will be centrally located, and will cost in the neighborhood of $10,000.

The decision of the hospital board will be submitted to the city council this evening, the board of trade on Wednesday and the district council on Friday, and it is almost an assured fact that these three bodies will cooperate with the views of the board, so that the building may be erected as soon as possible.

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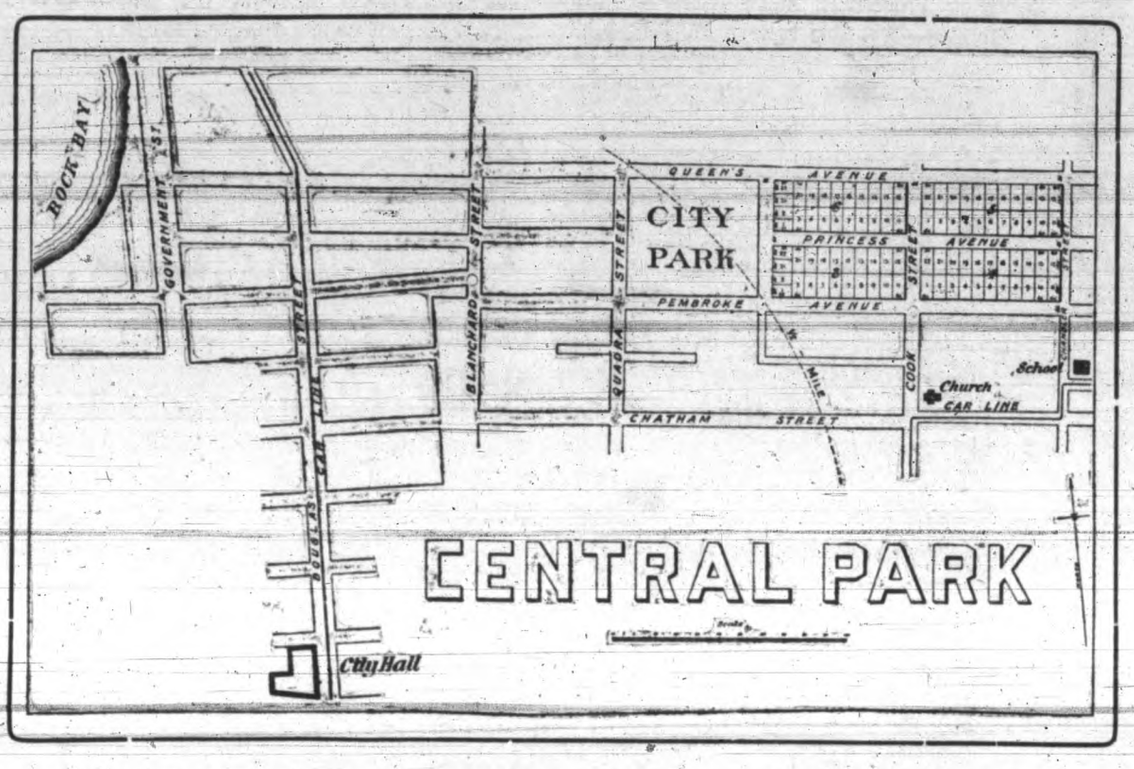

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England's "New" Journalists

Englishmen the world over received with surprise the recent announcement of the sale of the London Times to a syndicate controlled by C. Arthur Pearson, vice-president of the Imperial Tariff Reform League, and a leading exponent of the "new journalism." The news caused a "jolt" says the New York Evening Post, even to those who believe that Great Britain should depart from the principle of free trade. The Times has been for so long the organ of British conservatism, that the change of control, coming with little warning, so far as the public was concerned, was an uncommonly hard blow for the solid Englishman who is opposed to rapid innovation.

To London journalists, however, the news brought only a small measure of mild surprise. Of late years they have witnessed many revolutions in the newspaper field, and accordingly have been prepared for almost any radical development. They have seen new halfpenny sheets, bright but flashy, enter the field, and force the older and sounder dailies to reduce their prices; they have watched two men obtain control of an extraordinarily large number of papers, both in London and the provinces and have themselves been the victims of the ups and downs in weekly journalism.

One of those who passed through the upheaval is C. Lewis Hind, a London art critic, journalist, and author, who is in New York at the moment, studying American art in this city and elsewhere. Mr. Hind was sub-editor of the Art-Journal from 1887 to 1892; first editor of the Studio, 1892; editor of the Academey, 1898-1904, when he retired from active editorial work to devote himself to the writing of books. Being thoroughly conversant with the London situation, Mr. Hind undertook, a day or two ago, to tell something about it.

Two Dominating Forces.

First of all he spoke of Lord Northcliffe (Sir Alfred Harmsworth) and C. Arthur Pearson, the two men who upset English newspaper traditions and introduced new methods and ideals.

"Lord Northcliffe," said Mr. Hind, "is about forty-three years old; Mr. Pearson about forty-two. Both started in the publishing house of Sir George Newnes. Harmsworth, as he was then, was a sub-editor and had charge of a page devoted to answers to correspondents. He used to get perhaps a thousand questions a week and was able to answer only about a dozen, on account of space requirements. He apparently appreciated the interest of the readers, and I presume he said to himself, 'This is a good thing.' At any rate, he finally withdrew from the Newnes firm and started a weekly paper, which he called Answers to Correspondents. Soon he dropped the last two words and named the paper Answers.

"It was a success from the start and laid the foundation of the Harmsworth fortune. Answers was followed by other papers for different classes of readers. Then the Daily Mail was founded—the first London morning newspaper to sell at half-penny. It was an enterprising sheet, brightly written, and owed something of its success to the brilliant G. W. Stevens, who afterwards died on duty in Ladysmith.

"The paper expressed the Imperial and anti-socialistic idea and caught a large section of public fancy. Its success induced the Daily Chronicle and Daily News, both penny papers, to cut their price in half, and I am told the Chronicle's circulation was thereby trebled in the course of time. His success with his morning sheet caused Harmsworth to buy and improve the Evening News, which now has the largest circulation of any London evening paper. Then the Daily Mirror was founded at a penny, the first daily for women. It failed, and the way it was converted into a halfpenny illustrated daily is an outstanding example of Harmsworth's genius in handling newspapers.

Pearson's Rapid Advance.

"While Harmsworth was making a reputation as an enterprising newspaper proprietor, Pearson was fast following his lead. The men are strong rivals, but good friends. Pearson rose rapidly to be manager of the Newnes publishing firm and occupied that position four years, leaving to start Pearson's Weekly, on the lines of Answers, but larger. This was a success and was followed by Home Notes, Pearson's Magazine, Royal Magazine, Novel Magazine, M. A. P., Rapid Review, and other periodicals.

"In 1900, Pearson started the Daily Express, a halfpenny London paper, which has met likewise with success. Both Pearson and his rival have been going through England and buying provincial newspapers. I can't tell you how many they control. By the by, Harmsworth now owns our venerable Sunday newspaper, The Observer.

"Pearson has the doctrine of tariff reform to spread, and the facilities for doing so. Since starting the Express, he has founded the North Mall and Evening Mail in Newcastle-on-Tyne, the Gazette and Express and the Evening Dispatch in Birmingham, the home city of Joseph Chamberlain, sponsor for the fiscal proposals which Pearson advocates.

"Two years ago, Pearson bought the London Standard, a solid, old-standing conservative paper, consolidating the evening edition with the St. James' Gazette, which he had also acquired. Now he has the Times, for use in the fight for tariff reform. The last general election was fought partly on this issue, and the tariff reformers were beaten; the next election they will have the Times to advocate their cause.

"You must not think that all the London papers which practice conservative methods have been driven to the wall. The Daily Telegraph flourishes exceedingly well. It has always been an exceedingly strong advertising medium. It is a penny paper, and so is the Morning Post, the organ of the fashionable world, and a well patronized sheet. The Pall Mall Gazette, William Waldorf Astor's paper, and the new Tribune also appeal to non-Radicals.

"The prestige of the Times and its finances suffered when it accepted the Pigott forgeries, and was sued by Parnell. Of late years it has been engaged in a 'book war.' It offered library advantages to its subscribers and sold them new books at reduced prices. Finally, the publishers demanded that no books be sold by the Times at reduced prices until six months after publication. The paper's proprietors refused, and the publishers withdrew their advertising from its literary section, which, I consider is the best literary weekly in England.

"Even before the 'book war' rumor had been busy with the Times, and the announcement of Pearson's control was not a surprise to newspaper men. It will be interesting to observe how it holds its public under new conditions. Its price, three-pence, is the highest asked for an English daily. Perhaps the price will be reduced under the new management. The strength of the Times, apart from its admirable foreign telegrams, has rested largely in one of its features. Its columns have always been open to public men, who wished to express an opinion on subjects of the day. This feature, together with its detailed and impartial parliamentary reports, has given the Times unusual weight, and made it a national organ."

According to a cable dispatch Mr. Pearson's company for the control of the Times will have a capital of $1,000,000, the subscribers to which include Lord Brassey, Lord Rothschild, Lord Strathcona and Mount Royal, Viscount Iveagh, and Sir Alexander Henderson, chairman of the Great Central Railway—all men of influence in the financial world, and possibly in political councils.

"Speaking of the newspaper influence," continued Mr. Hind, "many London papers still hold their own in the provinces, despite the fact that many excellent rivals, such as the Manchester Guardian exist. Here again Harmsworth and Pearson have exerted an influence. The Daily Mail is now published in the north of England and in Paris. Local staffs get the news of those cities, but the world news is sent by wire from London. In some cases it is telephoned over a private line. So, if you happen to be in Manchester or Paris, you can have a London paper to read at breakfast.

"In the field of weekly journalism the old order of things is changing. Men who write for the dailies also write for the weeklies, and the latter are feeling the competition of the former. It stands to reason that the person who pays a halfpenny or a penny for his daily paper, grudges sixpence for a weekly. Illustrated weeklies such as the Graphic and Illustrated London News, which sell at sixpence, have felt the effects of competition. I am told that the Sphere, a newer publication, is doing well. It deserves all its success.

"To-day, the Spectator and Truth are the most flourishing non-illustrated weeklies. They sell for sixpence. The Athenoeum sells for threepence, and is holding its own.

"But I am convinced that the only price for a weekly in London is one penny. Put in the penny paper the same matter that the sixpenny papers offer, and it will sell. I am strongly of the opinion that it can be done, and upon my return to England at the end of this year, I intend to carry out my theory by starting a penny paper."

Mr. Hind said that the only American besides Mr. Astor who had become a newspaper proprietor in London was John Morgan Richards, father of the late Mrs. Craigie (John Oliver Hobbes). Mr. Richards purchased the Academy some years ago, and appointed Mr. Hind editor. For a short time there was a London edition of the New York Herald, but after a while it was withdrawn.

William Waldorf Astor is the owner of the Pall Mall Magazine, which has been reduced to sixpence from one shilling in order to meet competition. Mr. Hind said that the cheaper English magazines have pushed the higher-priced ones hard, just as the halfpenny newspapers have driven some of the penny sheets to lower their price.

'ORRORS

By Commander E. Hamilton Currey, R.N., in London Pall Mall Gazette.

"'Orrors," said the chief boatman, meditatively, "is things I don't by no means hold with myself, though there's chaps as I've known what's run a mile to see anything what was nasty." The ineffectual daylight of a thoroughly wet and cold summer's day was merging into a rain-streaked twilight, through which, as in a dim vision, the ships, great and small, passed outwards to the sea and inwards to the river athwart the turbid waters of the rapidly-making flood tide. The stranger sat in state in the armchair of his host's quarters, while the latter, pipe in mouth, stared seaward through the blurred window panes. "You have, no doubt," queried the visitor, "seen many many horrors in your time?" The chief boatman mused awhile, and then answered slowly, talking more to himself than to the other man, "Ay, those that go down to the sea in ships, as the sayin' is, sees sights what stops with 'em all their lives, sights what they'd pay handsome to forget sometimes. There was that day, it's more nor thirty years since, that I first saw a bad accident at sea, one o' them accidents what's called preventable, 'cause it was more or less the fault of one mah alone; but what I says is that the sailorman what comes to overhaul the log of his memory and don't count one such scored up against him, that man's got cause to thank 'is stars for it.

"'Omeward bound, we was at the time, and the frigate in which I was servin' was fair rampin' through it; wind two points abaft the beam, one reef down, and the foretopmast stuns'l set, when a man was sent aloft to do some job on the weather side of the mainyard. This chap 'e goes and does what no man had me right to do with the sea there was on that day; 'e starts and runs out on the yard; I was aft on the poop at the time, me bein' a youngster in them days and leadin' 'and of the mizzen t'g'l yard, and I seen 'im start to run.

"The officer of the watch, he sees him too, and sings out for him to lay out by the footrope—which was what 'e ought to 'a done but it was too late; the man runs along the yard, and just when he gets to the yardarm and makes a grab at the lift, which if he'd caught it he'd a been quite safe, a big sea slaps up abeam and, as it were, takes the yard clean from under his feet. Twice 'e turned over as 'e fell, and then went under with a splash in the 'ollow between two big seas. I mind to this day how that there stuns'l boom cracked short off in the boom-iron, and the thunder of the flappin' canvas as her helm was jammed down and she shot up into the wind; she took a big sea, green over the 'ammock nettin's, drowndin' out the men what was rushin' on deck to shorten sail and 'eave 'er to; but the lifeboat was manned and ready for lowerin' in something under forty-five seconds. Him that was overboard I seen from time to time, a white face, it seemed to me, lookin' desperate-like, and swimmin' strong; but there was a lump of a sea on, and it looked as if 'e was gettin' weaker."

The chief boatman paused and blew dense clouds of tobacco against the window pane; so long did he remain silent that the stranger ventured to say, "And then?"

"And then," repeated the narrator, "is just what don't hardly bear talkin' about. To let the boat go clear, two pins had to be taken out of the slippin' gear; one man whose duty it was to take out one o' these pins forgot to do so. The officer of the watch he sings out, 'Are you all ready to slip?' and the coxswain 'e answers, 'Ay, ay, sir.' 'Let go,' says the officer of the watch. They lets go in the boat, but the pin bein' in one fall goes clear and the other holds; the next moment the stern o' the boat was in the air, her bows was trailin' in the water, and thirteen men and the midshipman of the boat was strugglin' in the water alongside with oars, masts, sails, and all the boat's gear rainin' down on their heads.

"The ship was stopped by this time, an' there was them that went in from the ship for to lend a hand to them what seemed in trouble like."

"I have noticed you wear the silver Humane Society medal," interpolated the stranger. "'Well, I was overboard in the light of a grass line, doin' what I could for the best part of half an hour," admitted the chief boatman, "but then, you see, my chum, 'e was starboard stroke o' the cutter, an' got a clip on the head from a fallin' oar, so some one 'ad to fish 'im out, so why not me, what was on the poop? Anyways, afore we got clear o' that mess we'd lost the mid and four 'ands, besides the chap what went overboard to start with, it bein', you understand, his fault from start to finish; for a chap to run out on a yard in such weather ain't bein' smart an' sailorlike, but is actin' like a perishin' loony, what ought to be shut up in Yarmouth, where the naval loony goes to.

"As I was sayin' when I started, 'orrors ain't got no attractions for me, but the next one I seen come off ashore not so very long after, at a port near Singapore, it seems to me," continued the chief boatman, "that there's mighty rum folk knockin' about this 'ere world of ours, and mostly of all colors—black, white, brown, and yellow. Mind you, in my time, I've seen a tidy lot o' folks go clean off their chumps, but mostly they was a nuisance principally to themselves; but for fair rampin', ravin', tearin', bloodthirsty madness there ain't no one to equal a Malay. Before what I'm goin' to tell you now I never knowed it myself, but one afternoon down in the Malay straits, just showed me what one of these here yellow perishers can do when he gets fairly on the job.

"It was an unconsidered sort of little port, like—if I told you the name you wouldn't be none the wiser; but anyways, I can't 'cause I've forgotten it myself. There was some better class bungalows, where lived English and Dutch merchants, but mostly it was a collection of ruinous tumbledown shacks, built of matchboarding, and matting, with awnings propped on poles stickin 'out into the street. There was a 'hotel.' It called itself, kept by a Chinaman, where you could get Christian English beer, which stood in the main street, at a corner where another street come in at right angles, and ther, under a mat shed awning, me and some six others from the ship was sittin' about 3 o'clock one afternoon. It was very still, the mosquitoes droned round our 'eads, and the heat from the sandy street in front of us was that awful that not one of us seemed much inclined to talk, but just sipped our beer and shoved the matches around to any 'chap that wanted a light. Presently, down the side street came a noise; at first it was like bees hummin', but it grew and grew until we heard men shoutin' and women screamin', and a pack o' people running' in our direction. Then I hears a roar what sounds like 'Amok! Amok! Amok!' and in front o' the crowd I sees one man runnin'. He was a big, muscular Malay, naked but for his silk sarong around 'is waist, 'is body all glistenin' with sweat in the sunlight, 'is teeth bared like a dog what wants to bite, 'is eyes just flarin' in his head like searchlights. In his right hand he 'olds one o' them Malay krisses, which is long, snaky sort o' knives, an' it was red, red to the hilt of it, the blood drippin' from the point as he ran. All this takes a long time to tell, but 'e come along the street under forced draught, in a manner o' speakin', and a crowd runnin' behind him. Just twenty yards or so short o' the hotel,' as he comes up, a big fat Chinaman steps out of a house to see what the noise is. Very fat 'e was, and naked to the waist. The Malay what was runnin' amok catches sight of him, and was on him like a tiger; he holds the kriss straight arm, and drives it clean through the Chinaman, and I seen six inches of it stand out of his back from where I stood. Down goes the pigtail, and the Malay 'e gives a sort of twist and a heave, as the kriss out of him again and runs straight for where we was. Tim Mulcahy, what was one of our leadin' stokers, was standin' next to me. 'George,' 'e says, very quiet, 'I ain't a fightin' unit aboard the ship, and weapons,' 'e says, 'ain't in my line, but not wishin' to be spatchcocked like that there pigtail, I takes cover in face of the enemy. With that he whips up the little three-legged table at which 'e'd been sittin' and holds it by the legs in front of him, and all of us does the same.

"It weren't very dignified, and that's a fact," continued the narrator, "to see what ought to 'a been six first-class fightin' men 'oppin' around outside the 'hotel,' each with a three-legged table in front of him, while a mad Malay raced about trying to kill the lot. It was undignified and excitin'. Just then Stripey,' our sergeant of marines, comes out of the hotel, and, not knowin' what was up, sings out, 'Holy smoke, is this some new sort of a game, or 'ave you all gone mad?' The Malay 'ears 'im, sees as he ain't got no table to defend himself with, and makes a rush. 'Mind his sword, Tom!' we all shouts, and Tom minded. Very pretty boxer 'e was, and astonishing quick for a fourteen-stone man; he stands stock still till the Malay's actually upon him. Then 'e takes just one pace sideways to the right, and as the madman goes by swings round on his left heel and lands 'im with 'is right fair on the ear; the Malay goes over and lies like a log, and then the crowd comes up and lashes him up like a steerage 'ammock afore 'e comes to 'isself again."

"And what did you do?" asked the Stranger.

"We puts down our protectin' tables, forms ourselves into a congratulation party that none of us hadn't lost the number of our mess, and stands Tom Irons, the sergeant, as much beer as he could drink."

TIDE TABLE.

Victoria, B. C., January, 1908.

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19	7 23	8.8	9 10	8.7	12 58	9.2	22 01	1.9
20	7 36	8.7	10 07	8.5	13 29	8.9	22 36	2.3
21	7 35	8.5	11 00	8.3	14 01	8.5	23 10	2.8
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The height is measured from the level of the lower low water at spring tides. This level corresponds with the datum to which the soundings on the Admiralty chart of Victoria harbor are referred, as closely as can now be ascertained.

The time used is Pacific Standard, for the 120th meridian west. It is counted from 0 to 24 hours, from midnight to midnight. The figures for height serve to distinguish high water from low water.

British publishers were busy last year. There were 9,914 new books published, or 1,311 more than for 1906. Religion and philosophy increased by 212, law by 145, history and biography by 232, poetry by 89, and medicine by 63.

INTERESTING LETTER

WRITTEN BY A NOTABLE WOMAN

Mrs. Sarah Kellog of Denver, Colo. Bearer of the Woman's Relief Corps Sends thanks to Mrs. Pinkham.

Mrs. Sarah Kellogg

The following letter was written by Mrs. Kellogg of 1628 Lincoln Ave., Denver, Colo., to Mrs. Pinkham, Lynn, Mass.:

Dear Mrs Pinkham:

"For five years I was troubled with a tumor which kept growing, causing me intense agony and great mental depression. I was unable to attend to my house work, and life became a burden to me. I was confined for days to my bed, lost my appetite, my courage and all hope.

"I could not bear to think of an operation and in my distress I tried every remedy which I thought would be of any use to me and reading of the value of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound to sick women decided to give it a trial. I felt so discouraged that I had little hope of recovery, and when I began to feel better, after the second week, thought it only meant temporary relief; but to my great surprise I found that I kept gaining, while the tumor lessened in size.

"The Compound continued to build up my general health and the tumor seemed to be absorbed, until, in seven months, the tumor was entirely gone and I a well woman. I am so thankful for my recovery that I ask you to publish my letter in newspapers, so other women may know of the wonderful curative powers of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound."

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EXIT OF THE SOVEREIGN BANK.

Referring to the exit of the Sovereign Bank, the Monetary Times says in part:

The absorption of the institution has apparently been for some time but a matter of time. Whatever efforts be made to bolster up the unnecessary, the law of the survival of the fittest is triumphant in the end.

As an event in the financial world, the liquidation of the Sovereign Bank is almost unique. Its passage out of life was as quiet, complete, and as effective as the melting of an ice block. Foremost is the fact that an institution—one of thirty-four—capitalized at three million dollars, having a deposit account of eleven million dollars, its shares in the hands of several hundred shareholders, and possessing large foreign interests, should give up business without any crumbling of the nation's financial fabric. To the inspiration of whomsoever is due the solution of the difficult problem of placing a bank in a volume of past history, without blurring the pages of the present, is due also the honors of daring genius, and the thanks of the country.

The inner history of the Sovereign Bank happening is probably intricate. There will be men who will throw a thousand searchlights upon the event to show you why the institution is now one of the things that have been. There is naturally human nature, with its jealousies and idiasyncrasies, figuring prominently in the deal. There are the revolutions of the financial orb, bringing, in turn, light and shadow. But to the man, who cannot, who need not, look further than the plain tale of the day, to him who cares for naught but the safety of his savings, for the value of his stock, for the national calm, the peaceful passage of the Sovereign Bank into oblivion, even as will pass to-day, is one of the most remarkable events in the financial history of America. This fact will remain indelible despite the troublesome ruffles which will necessarily mark the journey of liquidation during the next two years.

CARRIER'S RECORD.

Mr. Thomas Stedman, who for over forty years was carrier between Brighton and Horsham, Eng., has just died at his home at Horsham, aged 69. He made 8,000 journeys between the two towns, travelling thus upwards of 150,000 miles.

DR. FAGAN HAS MADE REPORT

PROGRESS IN WORK OF THE SANATORIUM

Outline of What Has Been Done in the Interests of Consumptives.

The report of Dr. Fagan on the progress of the Anti-Tuberculosis Society, to be presented at the meeting of the governors, contains considerable interesting information. It is as follows:

The British Columbia Anti-Tuberculosis Society, having passed through many vicissitudes, may now be considered as having reached a position which will enable it to effect some practical benefit for those in whose more direct and particular interest the movement was inaugurated; and that the efforts of the promoters were justified, it may be remarked that, although the sanatorium was opened only on November 28th last, yet every available bed—twenty-three in number—is now occupied.

In view of this striking endorsement of the first practical results in the campaign against tuberculosis, the board of directors consider this an opportune time to place certain facts before the public.

Every intelligent citizen knows, or should know, that consumption is

A House Disease.

The presence in a home of a consumptive person, who is not informed as to just what he or she should do in order to prevent danger to others, is a real peril to the other members of the household; whereas the conscientious, instructed and intelligent consumptive is practically as little menace as the healthiest person in the community.

Notwithstanding this, there are homes, almost innumerable, in which following the advent of the first case, and because of carelessness and inattention to practically minor or elementary precautionary measures, successive victims are seized and carried away by the disease.

Here, then, is a matter for thought. Heredity does not play the part it was once thought it did, and although it undoubtedly predisposes, yet it is now known that infection from existing cases is the direct cause, and without that infection there can be no consumption.

This being so, we have in our hands the

Power to Control

the greatest known destroyer of human life. Let each of us ask ourselves, are we doing our duty regarding this question? If not, is such neglect either reasonable or human? The spirit of self-protection, inherent in every human being, aside altogether from the broader principle of Christianity and the humanitarian aspect of the question, places upon the individual, as well as the public generally, the duty of doing something towards stamping out this common evil, and thus refusing or neglecting to assist, assume the serious responsibility of fostering a danger to their own personal health as well as to the community generally.

A field of work here suggests itself which the women of the community should claim as largely their own. When the first case of consumption appears in the household of a poor, or indeed, any family, then is the time when the mother of that family needs the ministrations of some person who is sympathetic, tactful, and knows how to advise correctly and supervise a little. Such work, to be effective, must be done through organized societies.

An opportunity will be given every city, town and district in British Columbia to form societies. Every member of the community is asked to join, not necessarily with the intention of devoting time and effort to the campaign at the expense of the ordinary avocations of life. This is a work which may be carried on quietly and earnestly in all places and on all occasions, and without any of that offensive obtrusiveness or enthusiasm which is often the cause of failure in public educational endeavors.

That the consumptive may be cured, and that consumption can be prevented, should be the motto for these societies, and will, no doubt, spur them on to press on municipal and other authorities the imperative need of active and

Practical Assistance

in the cause. The churches, too, can be asked to use the influence they undoubtedly possess to warn the masses that they must not, like Job, rail at what may appear to be God's cure, when, in reality, it is the result of their own ignorance or indifference.

Our school authorities, also, could be urged to take more interest in the matter of health, not only in seeing that teachers are qualified to convey a reasonable knowledge of how to live so as to avoid contracting consumption, but to give special attention towards the physical betterment of the children under their charge.

These are some of the matters which must be taken in hand if we wish to successfully grapple with the tuberculosis fiend; success or failure depends upon our own individual as well as united efforts.

For all practical purposes it is now universally admitted that consumption is contracted in one way only, namely, by the entry of the consumptive germ (Bacillus Tuberculosis) into the body. It is also universally admitted that this germ comes from persons or animals afflicted with consumption. Milk is the great carrier when it comes from animals; while the sputum or spit, is practically the only medium by which it is conveyed from man to man.

Whether Koch is correct in his declaration as to the impossibility of the animal passing the disease on to man, or whether Von Behring is right in his statement that all true consumption has its first stage in infancy, are matters with which we need not be concerned and which may be left to the scientists for argument. The great principle remains: That the sick consumptive can pass on his disease to persons who would not have been victims had the sick one acted conscientiously and intelligently.

Here, then, we have a simple proposition. Is it worth the expense and trouble to

Handle the Propagators

of the disease so that they may become as little danger as possible to ourselves, our families, and tre community?

There are many proposals as to what is the best method for handling consumptives. Some people advocate that the consumptive be treated in his own home; others think that dispensary advice, and providing, when necessary tents of shacks is sufficient; while others look on special hospitals as being too expensive for the results obtained. These views arise from two causes:

1st. The enormity of the problem and consequent impossibility of effecting the desired end.

2nd. The failure to cure a majority of patients and the relapse of many who were thought to be cured.

The magnitude of the problem is certainly appalling, for we know that two out of every seven of all deaths occurring between the ages of 16 and 35 are due to consumption. The great civil war in the United States destroyed 650,000 persons in four years. The cause of this war was just, but the destruction of human life is looked on with horror. We know that 600,000 persons perish from consumption every four years in the United States. This unlike the civil war, is not justified, because it can be prevented. Of course, then, the contemplation of the problem is almost paralyzing, but, to meet the difficulty, we will look in vain to inaction. A policy of drift cannot be permitted in the present age of progress and knowledge.

As to the question of failure to cure consumptive patients. No doubt, in too many instances, the unfortunate patient is beyond help; but why? Once consumption gets a strong hold on an enfeebled constitution it is rarely cured. Its progress

May be Checked,

but the patient need not expect to be physically reconstructed. He may be patched, but can never be made whole again.

It is, however, different with a case recognized in its very early stage. If the constitution be good and if what is termed the "resisting power" be high, then the results are more satisfactory and the actual percentage of cures vouched for by reliable authorities runs as high as 70 and 80.

As to relapses. No doubt, there are many. Why? Because the patient is often compelled to return to overcrowded and ill-ventilated living-rooms and work-shops, and may be subjected to over-strain or over-fatigue; or his resolve to lead a more wholesome life fails, and he returns to old evil habits of drink, excitement and consequent worry, etc. Of course he is then ready for a fresh infection or the old infected centres break down. In this connection it must be remembered that no amount of fresh air during work will compensate for the lack of sufficient nourishing food or bad accommodation during the rest of the day.

These conditions, happily, do not prevail in British Columbia to the same extent as they do in older and more populous countries. It presents an aspect, however, of the problem which can and must be met if we are to continue to claim the title of civilized people.

Let us then consider what is the best method of handling our consumptives. The Germans lead the world in actual results obtained, and statistics show that the death rate from consumption has been reduced 62 per cent. during the last 20 years. I understand their sanitary laws are actively administered and they have more sanatoria for the treatment of consumptives than any other country in the world. The insurance companies, too, finance and control a number of sanatoria and are increasing the accommodation. Is this from philanthropic motives or good finance?

There is no chronic disease requiring more persistent and watchful care, more absolute personal control on the part of the physician, than consumption. The doctor must regulate every little detail of the patient's life, must enjoy his entire confidence, must inspire him with his own enthusiasm. Upon these principles, and the skillful application of remedies to meet complications, the modern and successful treatment of consumption depends.

In a sanatorium no fanciful theories, untried methods or mere experiments are proposed. The simple, God-given remedies, viz.:—fresh air, suitable food, rest and exercise, cheerful surroundings, have more than proven their efficiency.

A further advantage connected with such an institution is that the admission of the patient means the removal of one source of contagion from the general community; and when, after treatment, such person is returned cured, or otherwise, to the ranks of the public, he or she is an educational centre of first importance, because the first principle impressed on a patient on entering a sanatoria is the care he should exercise in his personal habits; the necessity for cleanliness, for care in disposal of anything about him which would spread, or even be likely to spread, contagion; in a word, he is persistently taught to move and live so that no other human being shall be likely, in the remotest sense, to suffer on account of any thoughtlessness on his part in the care of himself. Such a person, when discharged from the institution, is by his training in the sanatorium not only impressed with the necessity for continuing such caution, but, because of his knowledge so gained, becomes in his family and general surroundings an educational influence infinitely more effective than all the literature and arguments of physicians and authorities on the subject. Need more be said in support of the view that the sanatorium is the best place for the consumptive?

I know no other objection to the construction of sanatoria than that of cost. Of course, if money considerations compare with lives, valuable to the community and capable of being saved at reasonable cost, then argument becomes useless.

Tre Germans paid over $45,000,000 prior to 1905 for handling consumptives and carrying out sanitary reforms with special reference to consumption, and thus

Reduced Their Death Rate

62 per cent. This reduction means the saving of some two hundred thousand lives.

The Germans are not sentimental, but are practical philosophers, and that they are correct is, I think, more than proved by the following figures adopted by Marshall Leighton and worked out by Dr. Richer, of Montreal:

A human life at the period of industrial usefulness is worth $6,000, distributed as follows:

To the federal government, $1,000, (which is the universally accepted figure).

To the provincial government, $500

To the municipal government, $500.

To the community and family, $4,000.

The above calculations have been made from the "rationale" of productiveness, based upon the expectancy of life at the period of industrial usefulness, as follows:—At 25 years, the average age at which tuberculosis is fatal, the expectancy of industrial usefulness is 20 years, the average earning capacity $500 per year; five per cent. of which goes to the provincial and five to the municipal government, making the total of $500 to each in the course of the 20 years. These contributions are both direct and indirect, and according to the law of mutuality, represent a sum superior to $500, but this sum-total, if it errs, does so on the side of conservatism.

An act of incorporation was passed at the last session of the local parliament, forming the

British Columbia Anti-Tuberculosis Society

into a body corporate, with certain powers. Under its authority a board of directors was appointed who drew up and adopted a constitution.

This constitution largely deals with the question of management of the sanitoria. It provides that funds be raised for the maintenance of the institution in the following ways:—

(a) Ordinary subscriptions.

(b) Collection through branch societies.

(c) Grants by municipalities and corporations.

(d) Income from investments.

(e) Workmen's subscriptions. Bodies of workmen subscribing regularly shall have the first claim on the beds themselves and the members of their families dependent upon them, to the full extent of their total subscriptions, e. g., if the total amount of their subscriptions amounts to half the cost of maintenance, half the beds will be at their disposal without further payment.

(f) Weekly payments by patients. $14 weekly will be charged such patients, but the executive have power to remit all or part of this amount if the circumstances of the case demand it. No patient shall be refused admission to the sanatoria, or discharged before cured, solely because of inability to pay.

Contributions.

The matter of collecting money in order to procure a suitable site and building for the treatment of incipient cases of consumption was left in the hands of a small committee. This committee has collected close on $80,000, the larger sums, down to $1,000, being as follows:

Local government	$20,000
The Hon. James Dunsmuir	10,000
Canadian Pacific Railway Co.	5,000
Vancouver City Council	5,000
Vancouver Auxiliary Society	2,300
Victoria Auxiliary Society	2,400
Victoria City Council	2,500
Pat. Burns & Co.	1,000
William Farrell	1,000
B. C. Electric Railway Co.	1,000
Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Fortune	1,000

The balance was contributed in smaller sums, as follows:

11	@	$500	$ 5,500
2		300	600
9		250	2,250
11		200	2,200
1		150	150
102		100	10,200
72		50	3,600
1		30	30
104		25	2,600
2		15	30
93		10	930

The following amounts were also contributed:

Rossland city council and citizens	$1,100.00
Kamloops city council	500.00
Enderby citizens	184.00
Alberni	25.50
Ashcroft citizens	54.50
Cedar Hill	20.00
Salt Spring Island	29.00
Mayne Island	83.00

The following Victoria societies also contributed as under:

Native Sons	$ 50.00
K. of P. Far West Lodge	25.00
Masons' Lodge No. 1	25.00
Stone Cutters' Association	25.00
Stationery Engineers	25.00
Bartenders' Union	25.00
Cigar Makers	2.00
Barbers' Union	2.50
Letter Carriers' Association	9.50
Garment Makers' Union	15.00
Machinists' Union	10.00
Typographical Union	10.00
Street Railway Employees	10.00
Painters and Decorators Union	10.00
Bricklayers and Masons	25.00
Stationary Engineers	20.00
Musicians' Union	10.00
King's Daughters	250.00
Vancouver Island Football Assn.	108.15
Victoria City band	20.30

The following additional amounts were also subscribed:

Masonic Grand Lodge	$500.00
Comox Miners' hospital	250.00
Dramatic Club, Revelstoke	90.00
Odd Fellows, Gateway lodge	10.00

The branch societies in Victoria, Vancouver, New Westminster and Penticton have contributed generously to the maintenance fund. Details witr strictly accurate statement will be given later.

The above statement is taken hurredly, but is practically correct. A strictly accurate statement will be published in book form after the annual meeting and the list of subscribers will be given in detail.

The purchase of

Tranquille Ranch

from Mr. Wm. Fortune was a serious undertaking, and heavy responsibility was assumed by the board when they undertook to expend $58,000 for a location for our sanatorium. I hope, however, to be able to show that the transaction was justified and in the best interests of the aims and objects of the society.

The farm consists of about 600 acres. The soil is a sandy loam and is capable of producing almost any kind of crops in luxuriance. There are about ten acres laid out in fruit; the remainder yields ordinary farm products. Tranquille creek supplies water ample for irrigation, and it is expected will also supply power for light and other purposes at the institution.

In connection with the 600 acres above named, there is a grazing ranch of 8,000 acres. This land is leased from the Dominion government for two cents an acre.

The combination of the two ranches affords the essentials of success, and with sound common sense and management they should more than pay good interest on the money invested.

Our bargain with Mr. Fortune included everything on the farms, which are approximately as follows: 700 head of cattle, 75 horses, pigs, fowls, farm implements, stables, barns, etc.

Besides these there are two houses well built and on stone foundations, one containing fifteen and the other six rooms.

The board of directors was fortunate in securing the services of Mr. W. W. Shaw to act as manager. Mr. Shaw is a reliable and practical farmer and it is hoped the public of British Columbia will take an interest in his annual reports. His first report will be printed next March. In this the exact details as to conditions and number of stocks will be presented.

Tranquille is situated on the north side of Kamloops lake, about eight miles to the west of the town of Kamloops and 250 miles to the east of Vancouver. It has a southerly aspect and an elevation of 1,100 feet, and is well protected by bluffs from prevailing winds. These winds come from the southeast, and are sometimes strong, but seldom cold. The worst winds blow up the lake from the northwest. These are cold and strong, but Battle Creek bluff should, and indeed does, afford great protection.

The average precipitation is 10.6 inches, eight inches being in the form of rain and the remainder snow. The average highest temperature, as taken from a number of years, is 97 degrees, and the lowest six below zero. The average temperature of the two hottest months (July and August) is 68 degrees, and for the two coldest (January and February) is 25 degrees. The mean temperature for the year is 47 degrees.

These, then, are the conditions at Tranquille, and I have no doubt experience will prove that the board of directors made selection of a site where conditions are most favorable for the treatment of consumption.

That a good business transaction was undertaken time alone can prove, although I have yet to hear of anyone knowing the conditions, to say otherwise than that the

Property Was Acquired

at a low price. But, even did we make a poor bargain, I would yet believe we acted wisely in procuring such a site, for here we can supply our patients with meat, eggs, butter, milk and vegetables of known purity and freshness. Further, and this is of the greatest importance, patients can be exercised by work when deemed advisable by the medical superintendent.

The two houses at Tranquille, used as hotels by Mr. Fortune, have been renovated and fitted up at a cost of about $4,000, and although the construction is not all that could be desired, yet they afford a means of meeting the immediate needs. Beds, purchased by the Victoria society at the Royal Naval sale, have been sent to tranquille and the superintendent has already expressed himself strongly as to the suitability of these articles.

Twenty-three patients are undergoing treatment, and many others have appiled for admission, but no more can be admitted till further accommodation is provided.

Dr. R. W. Irving, late medical attendant at Gravenhurst sanatorium, is in charge, and gives his entire time to patients. Miss Matheson is matron, and I have little doubt will maintain her reputation for ability, firmness and kindness.

In order to gain admittance as a patient it is necessary that certain rules be complied with.

Admission Forms

will be sent to anyone applying to Dr. Irving at Tranquille, or to myself, as secretary, at Victoria. This may appear to savour of "red tapeism," but it must be remembered that to effect real benefit it must be known what are the exact conditions of every patient before he or she undertakes a long journey, possibly to be told that nothing can be done to assist them. Let it then be thoroughly understood that no patient can enter Tranquille unless they have submitted applications on regular forms and the medical superintendent has instructed them to proceed to Tranquille. Anyone who seriously considers the best interests of patients and the institution will recognize the need of this absolute rule.

Accommodations for existing cases of consumption is the first consideration. These cases must be divided into two classes—"incipient" and "advanced." Each must be handled differently, and it would not be to the advantage of either to live under the same conditions or at the same altitude.

Tranquille is intended for incipient cases only, and the society hopes to

Build an Institution

for those which will be capable of accommodating any British Columbian who is unfortunate enough to contract the disease, whether the site will be near the present building, or half a mile back from the lake, will be decided by the meteorological observations taken during the winter.

The proposed building will be as simple and inexpensive as possible, with accommodation for at least 50 patients. The estimated approximate cost is $75,000. Plans are being prepared by Messrs. Dalton & Eveleigh, of Vancouver, and it is hoped a definite recommendation will be submitted at the annual meeting.

In order to meet present existing demands, the Vancouver Auxiliary Society have generously voted money to build two cottages. It is hoped this will suffice for the present winter, and that from now on all efforts will unite to obtain sufficient money so as to enable us to build suitable and permanent structures.

A hospital for advanced cases of consumption is urgently needed, and the society, recognizing this, has pressed on the government the need of assistance. The government has promised $10,000 toawrds the building of this institution, and the society are anxious to start work on same, at the earliest possible date. At least $25,000 is needed for this building. It will be located at a lower level than Tranquille, as experience has shown that a high altitude is very detrimental to advanced cases.

In conclusion, let me bring home the facts that

A Duty Is Cast

on the community as a body, rich and poor alike, to lend not merely an apathetic assistance to this movement, not that the rich man should write out his cheque for his subscription, nor that the poor man should pay his dollar, and that then both should sit back complacently and say "my duty is done." Humanity first, mutual safety second, calls for united action between the north and south poles of society. Capitalist and working man, master and servant, are equal in this greatest of modern missions among mankind; there is no distinction of class or quality; disease and death bring all men to a common level; we cannot, by either united or any other effort, defeat death ultimately, but we have it in our power to combat disease, some kinds partially, some effectually. That the work we have commenced is necessary cannot be denied; that it is effective is amply proved. The man, the woman, the father, the mother, the brother, the sister, who stand aloof, says in effect: "Let danger surround us; let those sink who cannot swim." The one without family, without kindred, who adopts a similar stand, says: "What is society, or what is my brother man to me?" In short, they stand on the banks of the river, they allow them to perish miserably and hopelessly. To do this actually would be criminal; to do it morally is almost the same. The person capable of doing it morally would almost do it actually; and the same person, with positions reversed, would be the first to cry out for assistance. I cannot believe there is such an one in British Columbia, and am satisfied it is only thoughtlessness that hinders every responsible citizen doing his part, let it be great or small.

C. J. FAGAN, Secretary.

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IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF MARIA MATILDA HUMBER, LATE OF VICTORIA, B. C., DECEASED.

All persons indebted to the estate of Maria Matilda Humber, late of the City of Victoria, deceased, are requested to pay the amount of their indebtedness forthwith to the undersigned or to R. Humber, 45 Gorge road, and all persons having claims against the said estate are requested to send particulars of their claims, duly verified, to the undersigned before the first day of March, 1908. After the said date the estate will be distributed amongst the parties entitled thereto, having regard to the claims only of which the executors had then notice.

Dated the 11th day of January, 1908.

A. A. HUMBER,
S. S. OSTERHOUT,
Executors,
1011 Government St.

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CHAPTER VI.

Mr. Haswell's Veto and an Idea.

The same evening Alan and Barbara sat in Mr. Champers-Haswell's private sitting-room, and before them, by the fire, Mr. Champers-Haswell reclined upon his couch. Alan, in a few brief, soldierlike words had just informed him of his engagement to Barbara. During the recital of this interesting fact Barbara said nothing, but Mr. Haswell whistled several times. Now at length he spoke, in that tone of forced geniality which he generally adopted towards his cousin.

"You are asking for the hand of a considerable heiress, Alan, my boy," he said, "but you have neglected to inform me as to your own position."

"Where is the use of telling you what you know already, Mr. Haswell? I have left the firm, therefore I have practically nothing."

"You have practically nothing, and yet——. Well, in my young days men were more delicate; they did not like being called fortune-hunters, but of course times have changed."

Alan bit his lip, and Barbara sat up quite straight in her chair, observing which indications, Mr. Haswell went on hurriedly:

"Now, if you had stopped in the firm and earned the very handsome competence in a small way which would have become due to you this week, instead of throwing us over at the last moment for some quixotic reasons of your own, it might have been a different matter. I do not say it would have been, I say it might have been; and you remember a proverb about winks and nods and blind horses. So I ask you whether you are inclined to withdraw that resignation of yours, and bring up this question again, let us say next Sunday?"

Alan thought a while before he answered. As he understood, Mr. Haswell practically was promising to assent to the engagement upon these terms. The temptation was enormously great, the fiercest that he had ever been called upon to face. He looked at Barbara. She had closed her eyes, and made absolutely no sign. For some reason of her own she had elected that he should determine this vital point without the slightest assistance from her. And it must be determined at once; procrastination was impossible. For a moment he hesitated. On the one side was Barbara, on the other his conscience. After long doubts, he had come to a certain conclusion which he quite understood to be convenient to his partners. Should he throw it over now? Should he even try to make a sure and certain bargain as the price of his surrender? Probably he would not suffer if he did. The flotation was underwritten and bound to go through; the scandal would come afterwards, months or years hence, long before which he might "get out," as most of the others meant to do. No, he could not. His conscience was too much for him.

"I do not see any use in re-considering that question, Mr. Haswell," he said quietly, "we settled it on Friday night."

Barbara re-opened her brown eyes and stared amiably at the painted ceiling, and Mr. Haswell whistled.

"Then I am afraid," he said, "that I do not see any use in discussing your kind proposal for my niece's hand. Listen—I will be quite open with you. I have other views for Barbara, and, as it happens, I have the power to enforce them, or at any rate to prevent their frustration by you. If Barbara marries against my will before she is five and twenty, that is, within the next two years, her entire fortune, with the exception of a pittance, goes elsewhere. This, I am sure, is a fact that will influence you, who have nothing, and even if it did not, I presume that you are scarcely so selfish as to wish to beggar her."

"No," answered Alan, "you need not fear that, for it would be wrong. I understand that you absolutely refuse to sanction my suit on the ground of my poverty, which, under the circumstances, is perhaps not wonderful. Well, the only thing to do is to wait for two years, a long time, but not endless, and meanwhile I can try to better my position."

"Do what you will, Alan," said Mr. Haswell harshly, for now all his faux bonhomme manner had gone, leaving him revealed in his true character of an unscrupulous tradesman with dark ends of his own to serve. "Do what you will, but understand that I forbid all communication between you and my niece, and that the sooner you cease to trespass upon a hospitality which you have abused, the better I shall be pleased."

"I will go at once," said Alan, rising, "before my temper gets the better of me, and I tell you some truths that I might regret, for after all you are Barbara's uncle. But on your part I ask you to understand that I refuse to be cut off from my cousin, who is of full age, and has promised to be my wife," and he turned to go.

"Stop a minute, Alan," said Barbara, who all this while had sat silent. "I have something to say which I wish you to hear. You told us just now, Uncle, that you have other views for me, by which you meant that you wish me to marry Sir Robert Aylward, whom, as you are probably aware, I refused definitely this afternoon. Now I wish to make it clear at once that no earthly power will induce me to take as a husband a man whom I dislike, and whose wealth, of which you think so much, has in my opinion been dishonestly acquired."

"What are you saying?" broke in her uncle, furiously. "He has been my partner for years; you are reflecting upon me."

"I am sorry, Uncle, but I withdraw nothing. Even if Alan here were dead, I would not marry that man, and perhaps you will make him understand this, she added with emphasis. "Indeed I had sooner die myself. You told us also that if I marry against your will you can take away all the property that my father left to me. Uncle, I shall not give you that satisfaction. I shall wait until I am twenty-five and do what I please with myself and my fortune. Lastly, you said that you forbade us to see each other or to correspond. I answer that I shall both write to and see Alan as often as I like. If you attempt to prevent me from doing so, I shall go to the Court of Chancery, lay all the facts before it, as I have been advised that I can do, not by Alan—please remember—all the facts, and ask for its protection and for seperate maintenance out of my estate until I am twenty-five. I am sure that the Court would grant me this, and would declare that considering his distinguished family and record Alan is a perfectly proper person to be my affianced husband. I think that is all I have to say."

"All you have to say!" gasped Mr. Haswell, "all you have to say, you impertinent and ungrateful minx!" Then he fell into a furious fit of rage, and in language that need not be repeated, poured a stream of threats and abuse upon Alan and herself. Barbara waited until he ceased from exhaustion.

"Uncle," she said, "you should remember that your heart is weak, and you must not over-excite yourself; also, when you are calmer, that if you speak to me like that again, I shall go to the Court of Chancery at once, for I will not be sworn at by you or any other man. I apologize to you, Alan; I am afraid I have brought you into strange company. Come, my dear, we will go and order your dogcart," and, putting her arm affectionately through his, she went with him from the room.

"I wonder who put her up to all this?" gasped Haswell, as the door closed behind them. "Some infernal lawyer, I'll be bound. Well, she has got the whip hand of me, and I can't face an investigation in Chancery, especially as the only thing against Vernon is that the value of his land has fallen. But I swear that she shall never marry him while I live," he ended in a kind of shout, and the domed and painted ceiling echoed back his words—"while I live," after which the room was silent, save for the heavy bumping of his heart.

When Alan reached home that night after his ten-mile drive, he sent Jeeki to tell the houskeeper to find him some food. In his mysterious African fashion the negro had already collected much intelligence as to the events of that day, mostly in the servants' hall, and more particularly from the two golf-caddies, sons of one of the gardeners, who, it seemed, instead of retiring with the clubs, had taken shelter in some tall whins and thence followed the interview between Barbara and Sir Robert with the intensest interest. Reflecting that this was not the time to satisfy his burning curiosity, Jeeki went, and in due course returned with some cold mutton and a bottle of claret. Then came his chance, for Alan could scarcely touch the mutton, and demanded toast and butter.

"Very inferior chops"—that was his West African word for food—"for a gentleman, Major," he said, shaking his white head sympathetically and pointing to the mutton—"specially when he has unexpectedly departed from magnificent eating of the Court. Why did you not wait till after dinner, Major before retiring?"

Alan laughed at the man's inflated English and answered in a more nervous and colloquial style,

"Because I was kicked out, Jeeki."

"Ah! I gathered that kicking was in the wind, Major. Sir Robert Aylward, Bart., he also was kicked out, but by smaller toe."

Again Alan laughed, and, as it was a relief to talk even to Jeeki, asked him:

"How do you know that?"

"I gathered it out of atmosphere, Major; from Sir Robert's gentleman, from two youths who watched Sir Robert and Miss Barbara talking upon golf green No. 9, from the machine driver of Sir Robert, whose eyes he damn in public, and last but not least from his own noble countenance."

"I see that you are observant, Jeeki."

"Observation, Major, it is art of life. I see Miss Barbara's eyes red like morning sky and I deduct, I see you shot out and gloomy like evening cloud, and I deduct, I listen at the door of Mr. Haswell's room; I hear him curse and swear like holy saint in Book, and you and Miss Barbara answer him not like saint, though what you speak I cannot hear, and I deduct. Jeeki deduct this—that you make love to Miss Barbara in proper gentlemanlike, 'nogamous, Christian fashion such as your late reverend uncle approve, and Miss Barbara, she make love to you with ten per cent. compound interest, but old gent with whistle, he not approve he say, 'Noble Sir Robert have much cash?' and interested in indentical business. I prefer Sir Robert. Get out, you Cashless.' Often I see this same thing when boy in West Africa, very common wherever sun shine. I note all these matters and I deduct—that Jeeki's way and Jeeki seldom wrong."

Alan laughed for the third time, until tears ran down his face indeed.

"Jeeki," he said "you are a great rascal——"

"Yes, yes," interrupted Jeeki, "great rascal. Best thing to be in this world, Major. Honourable Sir Robert, Bart., M.P., and Mr. Champers-Haswell, D.L., J. P., they find that out long ago and sit on top of tree of opulent renown. Jeeki great rascal and therefore have Savings Bank account—go on, Major."

"Well, Jeeki, because, if you are a rascal, you are kind-hearted, and because I believe that you care for me—"

"Oh! Major," broke in Jeeki again, "that most 'utterably true. Honour bright I love you, Major, better than anyone on earth, except my late old woman, now happily dead, gone and forgotten in best oak coffin, £4 10s., without fittings but polished, and perhaps your holy uncle, Reverend Mr. Austin, also coffined and departed, who saved me from early extinction in a dark place. Major, I no like graves. I see too much of them, and can't tell what lie on other side. Though everyone say they know, Jeeki not quite sure. May be all light and crowns of glory, may be nasty black hole and no way out. But this at least true, that I love you better, yes, better than Miss Barbara, for love of woman very poor, uncertain thing, quick come, quick go. Jeeki find that out—often. Yes, if need be, though dead most nasty, if need be I say I die for you, which great unpleasant sacrifice," and Jeeki in the genuine enthusiasm of his warm heart, throwing himself upon his knees after the African fashion, seized his master's hand and kissed it.

"Thanks, Jeeki," said Alan, "very kind of you, I am sure. But we haven't come to that yet, though no one knows what may happen later on. Now sit upon that chair and take a little whiskey—not too much—for I am going to ask your advice."

"Major," said Jeeki, "I obey," and seizing the whiskey bottle in a casual manner, he poured out half a tumbler full, for Jeeki was fond of whiskey. Indeed, before now this taste had brought him into conflict with the local magistrates.

"Put back three parts of that," said Alan, and Jeeki did so. "Now," he went on, "listen: this is the case, Miss Barbara and I are——" and he hesitated.

"Oh! I know; like me and Mrs. Jeeki once," said Jeeki guiping down some of the whiskey. "Go on Major."

"And Sir Robert Aylward is——"

"Same thing, Major. Continue."

"And Mr. Haswell has——"

"Those facts all ascertained, Major," said Jeeki, contemplating his glass with a mournful eye. "Now come to point, Major."

"Well, the point is, Jeeki, that I am what you called just now cashless, and therefore——"

"Therefore," interrupted Jeeki again, "stick fast in honourable intention towards Miss Barbara owing to obstinate opposition of Mr. Haswell, legal uncle with control of property fomented by noble Sir Robert, who desire same girl."

"Quite right, Jeeki; but if you would talk a little less and let me talk a little more, we might get on better."

"I henceforth silent, Major," and lifting his empty tumbler Jeeki looked through it, as if it were a telescope, a hint that Alan ignored.

"Jeeki, you infernal old fool, I want money."

"Yes, Major, I understand, Major. Forgive me for breaking conspiracy of silence, but if £500 in Savings Bank any use, very much at your service, Major; also £20 more extracted last night from terror of wealthy Jew who fear fetish."

"Jeeki, you old donkey, I don't want your £500; I want a great deal more, £50,000 or £500,000. Tell me how to get it."

"City best place, Major. But you chuck City, too much honest man, great mistake to be honest in this terrestial sphere. Often notice that in West Africa."

"Perhaps, Jeeki, but I have done with the City. As you would say, for me it is 'scire out; finish.'"

"Yes, Major, too much pickpocket, too much dirt. Bottom always drop out of bucket shop at last. I understand, end in police court and severe magistrate, or perhaps even 'Gentlemen of Jury,' etcetra."

"Well, Jeeki, then what remains? Now last night when you told us that amazing yarn of yours, you said something about a mountain full of gold, and houses full of gold among your people. Jeeki, do you think——" and he paused, looking at him.

Jeeki rolled his black eyes round the room, and in a fit of absent-mindedness helped himself to some more whisky.

"Do I think Major, that this useless lucre could be converted into coin of King Edward? Not at all, Major, by no one, Major, by no one whatsoever, except possibly by Major Alan Vernon, D. S. O., and by one Jeeki, Christian surname Smith."

(To be Continued.)

AIDS TO NAVIGATORS ON PACIFIC COAST

Some of the Latest Buoys Established and Other Information Given.

Among the latest information given to navigators on the coast are the following:

Half Tide Rock.

A platform buoy has been established off Half Tide rock, Hecate Passage, Clayoquot Sound, lat. N., 49 degrees 13 minutes 23 seconds; long. W., 126 degrees 1 minute 40 seconds.

The following sextant angles fix the position of the buoy: Burges Island, west tangent, 0 degree; Lawrence Islands, south tangent, 21 degrees 30 minutes; Twin Islands, 27 degrees 40 minutes; White Islet, 92 degrees 30 minutes. The buoy is moored in 7 fathoms water. The buoy consists of a wooden platform, 10 feet square, supporting a slatwork pyramid surmounted by a slatwork ball, the whole painted red.

Templar Channel.

The following buoys have been established in Templar Channel, Clayoquot Sound: 1. A spar buoy, painted black, moored in 2 fathoms water, to mark the shoal ground southward of Round Island, lat. N., 49 degrees 8 minutes 56 seconds; long. W., 125 degrees 56 minutes 13 seconds. From the buoy, the north tangent of Wakennenish Island bears S. 68 degrees W.; and the west tangent of Round Island bears N. 12 degrees W., distant 3 cables.

2. A spart buoy, painted red, moored in 3 fathoms water, to mark the northerly extreme of the shoal ground in the middle of Templar Channel, lat. N., 49 degrees 8 minutes 47 seconds; long. W., 125 degrees 56 minutes 17 seconds. From the buoy, the north tangent of Wakennenish Island bears S. 83 degrees W.; and the west tangent of Round Island bears N. 10 degrees W., distant 5 cables. The depth of water in the passage between the two buoys is 3 fathoms.

Buoy Adrift.

Swiftsure bank combined gas, whistling and bell buoy has gone adrift, having broken away from its moorings on the 29th December, 1907.

The can buoy heretofore moored to the westward of Hodgson reefs, Chatham Sound, two miles 1¾ cables south, 89 degrees west from Ryan point, has been replaced by a combined gas and whistling buoy, moored in the same position, lat. N. 54 deg. 22 min. 47 sec.; long. W. 130 deg. 32 min. 22 sec.

The buoy is of steel, cylindrical, painted black, surmounted by a black pyramidal steel frame supporting the whistle and lantern.

The light is a white light, automatically occulted at short intervals. The illuminant is acetylene, generated automatically.

The whistle is sounded by the motion of the buoy on the waves.

Unchartered Rock.

On 5th June, 1907, the steamer "Camosun" struck a rock in the passage between Larcom Island and Frank Island (the island north of Frank point), and Capt. Saunders states that the rock touched is not the one shown on the chart, but another unchartered rock located about where the upper part of the sounding of 18 fathoms is marked on Admiralty chart No. 2458.

No details are given as to the position and size of hte rock, but as the "Camosun" was drawing 16½ feet there must be less water on the rock.

ALMOST LYNCHED.

It happened to a local druggist that sold a cheap acid corn salve instead of the reliable Putnam's corn extractor. Substitutes burn the flesh—Putnam's cures the corn. Use only the best—"Putnam's."

REGIMENTAL ORDERS.

Information for the Guidance of Members of the Fifth.

The latest orders promulgated by Lt.-Col. Hall, commanding the Fifth Regiment, C. G. A., contains the following:

The following men having been granted their discharge, are struck off the strength of the regiment, effective for February 5, 1908:

No. 302, Gunr. Thos. S. Gardner; No. 319, Gunr. Frank Dresser; No. 220, Gunr. K. C. Steel; No. 217, Gunr. F. Ackrill; No. 205, Gunr. T. G. Targett.

The following man having been duly attested is taken on the strength of the regiment, and will assume the number opposite his name:

No. 102, Gunr. Leonard Ostler, Feb. 5, 1908.

A meeting of the Sergeants' Mess will be held in the Drill hall on Thursday, February 13th at 8 p. m. Dress, undress uniform.

Members of the regiment taking part in the Paardeberg celebration are requested to attend at the drill hall on Thursday the 13th inst. at 8 p. m.

The officer commanding will be pleased to meet the secretaries of the Sergeants' Mess, Company Associations, and the band, in the drill hall at 9 p. m. on Wednesday, the 19th inst.

ECONOMICAL FOODS.

Clark's Corned Beef, Sliced Smoked Beef, Jellied Veal, Lunch Tongue, Pork and Beans, Ox Tongue, are eatable to the last morsel. No waste, no bother cooking, save fuel.

SEVENTY-TWO YEARS A COLLIER.

The funeral has taken place at Exhall, Warwickshire, of John Shephard, 86, who worked in coal mines for the lengthened period of seventy-two years. This is thought to be a record for the Warwickshire coalfield.

GOLD STRIKE IN YUKON.

Good Pay Located at Haggert Creek in Stewart River District.

Dawson, Jan. 25.—Eight to forty cents to the pan has been found on Haggett creek, in the Stewart river district. Martin J. Ravey and Robert Fisher, who are here from Haggert, bring the news.

The best pay is on No. 4 below Discovery, where Abbott Brothers have down two shafts, 50 feet apart, and at a depth of 12 feet to bedrock have found a fine run of gold. There is three feet of gravel carrying pay. In the gravel the pay runs 10 cents, and on the surface of the bedrock it is 40 cents. For the first foot and a half in the bedrock it runs eight to ten cents. The shafts are sunk on a low shelf of one side of the stream.

Jack Davis, Maynard and Gibbs, on No. 10 below are taking out a dump with wood fires. Gravel panned off the dump yielded 25 cents to the pan from five flat pans washed by Ravey.

Five hundred dollars was offered a short time ago for one of the Haggert claims. On No. 12 below, on one side of the creek, six feet of gravel was obtained averaging four cents to the flat pan.

Take notice that S. R. MacClinton, of Vanecouver, occupation, C. E., intends to apply for a special timber license over the following described lands, situated on Gold River, West Coast, Vancouver Island:

No. 1. Commencing at a post planted on Gold River, W. Coast, Vancouver Island, one mile S. from where the S. line of lease six intercepts same, and marked S. R. M., S. E. corner, thence N. 80 chains, W. 80 chains, S. 80 chains, N. 80 chains to place of commencement.

No. 2. Commencing at a post planted on Gold River, W. Coast, Vancouver Island, one mile S. from where the S. line of lease six intercepts same, and marked S. R. M., S. W. corner, thence running N. 80 chains, E. 80 chains, S. 80 chains, W. 80 chains to place of commencement.

No. 3. Commencing at a post planted on Gold River, W. Coast, Vancouver Island, one mile S. from where the S. line of lease six intercepts same, and marked A. S. R. M., N. E. corner, thence running S. 80 chains, W. 80 chains, N. 80 chains, E. 80 chains to place of commencement.

No. 4. Commencing at a post planted on Gold River, W. Coast, Vancouver Island, one mile S. from where the S. line of lease six intercepts same, and marked S. R. M., N. W. corner, thence S. 80 chains, E. 80 chains, N. 80 chains, W. 80 chains to place of commencement.

No. 5. Commencing at a post planted one mile S. from the second fork of Gold River, W. Coast, Vancouver Island, and marked S. R. M., S. W. corner, thence N. 80 chains, W. 80 chains, S. 80 chains, E. 80 chains to place of commencement.

No. 6. Commencing at a post planted one mile S. from the second fork of Gold River, W. Coast, Vancouver Island, and marked S. R. M., S. W. corner, thence running N. 80 chains, E. 80 chains, S. 80 chains, W. 80 chains to place of commencement.

No. 7. Commencing at a post planted one mile S. from the second fork of Gold River, W. Coast, Vancouver Island, and Marked S. R. M., N. E. corner, thence S. 160 chains, W. 40 chains, N. 160 chains, E. 40 chains to place of commencement.

No. 8. Commencing at a post planted on Gold River, about six miles from its mouth, W. Coast, Vancouver Island, and marked S. R. M., N. W. corner, thence running E. 40 chains, S. 160 chains, W. 40 chains, N. 160 chains to place of commencement.

No. 9. Commencing at a post planted on Gold River, about six miles from its mouth, W. Coast, Vancouver Island, and marked S. R. M., N. E. corner, thence running W. 40 chains, S. 160 chains, E. 40 chains, N. 160 chains to place of commencement.

No. 10. Commencing at a post planted near the S. W. corner of lease six, Gold River, W. Coast, Vancouver Island, and marked S. R. M., N. W. corner, thence running S. 80 chains, E. 160 chains more or less to river, thence following river and lot six line northerly and westerly to place of commencement, containing 640 acres more or less.

No. 11. Commencing at a post planted near the S. W. corner of lease six, Gold River, W. Coast, Vancouver Island and marked S. R. M., N. E. corner, thence running S. 80 chains, N. 120 chains more or less to line of lot 6, thence following line of lot six east and south to place of commencement, containing 640 acres more or less.

No. 12. Commencing at a post planted on a branch of Gold River, W. Coast, Vancouver Island, and near W. line of lease six, and marked S. R. M., S. W. corner, thence S. 120 chains, E. 40 chains to line of lot six, thence following line of lot six to place of commencement, containing 640 acres more or less.

No. 13. Commencing at a post planted on a branch of Gold River, W. Coast, Vancouver Island, and near W. line of lease six, and marked S. R. M., S. E. corner, thence N. 80 chains, W. 80 chains, S. 80 chains, E. 80 chains to place of commencement.

No. 14. Commencing at a post planted on a branch of Gold River, W. Coast, Vancouver Island, and near W. line of lease six, and marked S. R. M., S. E. corner, thence running N. 80 chains, W. 80 chains, S. 80 chains, E. 80 chains to place of commencement.

No. 15. Commencing at a post planted on S. W. corner of lot six, Gold River, W. Coast, Vancouver Island, and marked S. R. M., N. W. corner, thence S. 110 chains to N. line of S. R. M. location No. 12, thence E. 20 chains, N. 20 chains, E. to west line of lot six, N. and W. to place of commencement, containing 640 acres more or less.

No. 16. Commencing at a post planted on a branch of Gold River, W. Coast, Vancouver Island, and marked S. R. M., N. W. corner, thence running S. 80 chains, E. 80 chains, N. 80 chains, W. 80 chains to place of commencement.

No. 17. Commencing at a post planted on a branch of Gold River, W. Coast, Vancouver Island, and marked S. R. M., S. W. corner, thence running N. 80 chains, W. 80 chains, S. 80 chans, E. 80 chains to place of commencement.

No. 18. Commencing at a post planted on a branch of Gold River, W. Coast, Vancouver Island, and marked S. R. M., S. E. corner, thence running N. 80 chains, W. 80 chains, S. 80 chains, E. 80 chains to place of commencement.

No. 19. Commencing at a post planted on a branch of Gold River, W. Coast, Vancouver Island, and marked S. R. M., N. E. corner, thence running S. 80 chains, W. 80 chains, N. 80 chains, E. 80 chains to place of commencement.

No. 20. Commencing at a post planted on a branch of Gold River, about 3 miles from W. line of lot 6, and marked S. R. M., N. E. corner, thence S. 40 chains, W. 160 chains, N. 40 chains, S. 160 chains to place of commencement.

No. 21. Commencing at a post planted on a branch of Gold River, about three miles from W. line of lot six, and marked S. R. M., S. E. corner, thence running N. 40 chains, W. 160 chains, S. 40 chains, E. 160 chains to place of commencement.

No. 22. Commencing at a post planted on Gold River, on N. line of lot six, W. Coast, Vancouver Island, and marked S. R. M., S. W. corner, thence N. 80 chains, E. 80 chains, S. 80 chains, W. 80 chains to place of commencement.

No. 23. Commencing at a post planted on Gold River, on N. line of lot six, W. Coast, Vancouver Island, and marked S. R. M., S. E. corner, thence N. 80 chains, W. 160 chains, S. 80 chains, E. 160 chains to place of commencement.

No. 24. Commencing at a post planted 40 chains E. from N. E. corner of lot six, W. Coast, Vancouver Island, and marked S. R. M., S. E. corner, thence running N. 160 chains, W. 40 chains, S. 160 chains, E. 40 chains to place of commencement.

No. 25. Commencing at a post planted 40 chains E. from N. E. corner of lot six, W. Coast, Vancouver Island, and marked S. R. M., S. W. corner, thence running N. 160 chains, E. 40 chains, S. 160 chains, W. 40 chains to place of commencement.

Vancouver Island, Dec. 21st, 1907.

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TO RENT—Furnished cottage on Michigan Street, near Dallas road; 6 rooms, bath, pantry, electric light and all modern conveniences. Inquire Hinkson, Siddall & Son, New Grand theatre bldg.

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LOST—A conveyance made in name of Margaret M. Boyce, between Langley, Fort and Government streets. Please return to 722 Pembroke street.

LOST—A cocker spaniel and Gordon setter. Finder please notify H. Smith phone 121. Anyone found detaining same will be prosecuted.

LOST—Saturday night, black satchel, purse inside containing $44 in bills. Please return to Times; reward.

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Application for homestead entry must be made in person by the applicant at the office of the local Agent or Sub-Agent. Entry by proxy may, however, be made on certain conditions by the father, mother, son, daughter, brother or sister of an intending homesteader.

An application for entry or inspection made personally at any Sub-Agent's office may be wired to the local agent by the Sub-Agent, at the expense of the applicant, and if the land applied for is vacant on receipt of the telegram such application is to have priority and the land will be held until the necessary papers to complete the transaction are received by mail.

In case of "personation" the entry will be summarily cancelled and the applicant will forfeit all priority of claim.

An application for inspection must be made in person. The applicant must be eligible for homestead entry, and only one application for inspection will be received from an individual until that application has been disposed of.

A homesteader whose entry is in good standing, and not liable to cancellation, may, subject to approval of Department, relinquish it in favor of father, mother, son, daughter, brother or sister, if eligible, but to no one else, on filing declaration of abandonment.

Where an entry is summarily cancelled, or voluntarily abandoned, subsequent to institution of cancellation proceedings, the applicant for inspection will be entitled to prior right of entry.

Applicants for inspection must state in what particulars the homesteader is in default, and if subsequently the statement is found to be incorrect in material particulars, the applicant will lose any prior right of re-entry, should the land become vacant, or if entry has been granted it may be summarily cancelled.

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(1) At least six months' residence upon and cultivation of the land in each year during the term of three years.

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(3) If the settler has his permanent residence upon farming land owned by him in the vicinity of his homestead, the requirement may be satisfied by residence upon such land.

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Our London Letter

London, Jan. 17.—The Atlantic rate war which has been quiescent for some time, is now raging fiercely between the Cunard company and the White Star line, and is perhaps the most remarkable situation in the shipping trade since Pierpont Morgan formed the ocean trust. During the 1st few days the press in London and the provinces have given reports of the reductions being made by the two companies, and now a circular has been issued from the offices of the American and White Star lines announcing further reductions in passenger rates from Southampton. By the American line the normal rate first class has been reduced from £15 winter tariff, to £10, and second class from £9 to £6 5s., whilst inclusive third class is reduced to £4 10s. The White Star Company have made corresponding reductions. A conference of Atlantic steamship managers was announced to be held in London on Saturday the 18th, but now it is postponed, and may probably take place on the 20th or 21st. Considerable importance is attached to the result of this conference by people in shipping circles, as it is expected to determine both the British and German course in regard to the rate war. Representatives of the two principal German steamship companies will attend. However, all the leading journals agree that this war of rates which will temporarily benefit the travelling public, must be to the detriment of the companies engaged in it. All agree also that the announcement that the two German companies, the Hamburg-American and the Norddeutscher-Lloyd, have joined forces is fraught with the utmost importance and significance. One London daily says that these were already the strongest single organizations in merchant shipping. In permanent alliance they will form a formidable combination. They say that considerable alarm is caused by the project of an all-red route. The sequel is worth watching.

Since writing the foregoing a further circular has been issued by the Cunard Company intimating another "cut" of 10s. each in the second cabin and steerage rates of all their steamers except the Mauretania and Lusitania. Thus the minimum third class rates from Liverpool or Queenstown to New York, etc., or through Canada, via the Mauretania and Lusitania, are now £5 5s. to United States, and £4 15s. to Canada, and by the other steamers of the line £4 15s, £4 10s. and £4 5s., according to the ship selected. It remains to be seen whether the "differential" of 10s. now established by the Cunard upon the Mauretania and Lusitania will fully meet the wishes of the White Star line, who wished for a "differential" of 15s. on the new fast turbines at the commencement of the rate war. If so, then it is hoped that the battle of rates will cease and the tariff be reinstated upon its original basis.

Father Thames Frozen.

The very severe weather which London has experienced, and in fact, England generally for some days, has been responsible for a rather remarkable sight, viz: part of the Thames being frozen over. People congregated on the Embankment to watch huge blocks of ice floating down the river from the higher reaches, giving the usually dull Thames quite an Arctic appearance. Some of these blocks were quite miniature icebergs, and in one spot where Blackfriars bridge is being widened, the recession of the tide piled up tiers of ice to a height of fifteen feet. Some barges which had been laid up close to the banks got imbedded in the ice, a most unusual thing for this country, as the Thames has not been frozen, even partially, as now, for a great number of years. About twenty years ago the river was completely frozen over and carts were driven on it with safety.

In Fashionland.

At the moment we are passing through the period called the "between seasons," and therefore Madame la Mode is supposed to be in deep reflection, preparing her surprises for the coming spring fashions. The shops, one and all, are given over to sales still, and as all the leaders of fahsion are on the wing, either en route to some country house party, or a brief trip to the Continent, London is not showing any novelties in modish effects at present. So soon as parliament opens, on January 29th, things will brighten in the social world, and the coutourieres will be busily engaged in preparing evening and reception gowns for the political parties and official dinners to take place about that date. One design for a dinner gown which I was privileged to see to-day, may be of interest. It was composed of dark blue crepe de chine embroidered in floss silk in shades of blue from light to dark. The skirt had a deep hem of velvet, and two narrow bands forming a directoire panel in front, also of velvet; at the height of the knees two crossway bands of velvet formed the terminating point of the embroidery in front. At the back of the trained skirt the embroidery was carried almost to the waist with tapering effect. The bodice, also of the embroidered crepe de chine, had the decolletage formed of two-inch band of the velvet, making a kimono effect on the sleeves, the under sleeves being of the crepe de chine. The front of the bodice had a square panel of the embroidery, edged with velvet. The deep pointed belt was of the plain crepe de chine. In the hair was worn a twist of dark blue velvet to match with a chou at the left side, worn toward the back, and nestling amongst the knot of curls, which Dame Fashion decrees every woman who wishes to be blen coiffee shall wear.

Canada's Trade With Britain.

The report by Mr. Richard Grigg to the Board of Trade on the conditions and prospects of British trade in Canada, which was issued this week, has been criticized very freely in the English press. Everything pertaining to Canada and the Canadians is of especial interest in this country at present, and therefore it is not to be wondered at that this important report should have been dealt with in leading articles by more than one prominent newspaper. One Conservative organ says Mr. Grigg pays a high tribute to the manner in which he was received in Canada and says that the utmost courtesy was shown him, and the fullest opportunity given him for obtaining information. But his views may be summed up in two words. The Canadians consider that the British manufacturer and merchant are "too conservative." He shares the abounding confidence of the Canadian propagandist in the future of the country, and impresses on England the importance of more energetic efforts being made to secure the Canadian market for British goods. Another journal says that the moral should be plain enough to strike even the obtusest of those who want to build the Empire upon preference, and this remark applies to the prediction that "before many years the most serious competitor with the United Kingdom in the Canadian market will be Canada itself."

How to Wear a Gown.

English ladies of high degree, and those of the great middle class, are expected to take much interest in an exhibition shortly to take place here, and which is being organized esceplally for their benefit. At this exhibition they will be given lessons in deportment, especially "how not to wear a gown," and mannequins from all the leading costumers of Paris will exhibit the lovely wares and demonstrate exactly how each garment should be worn, and the correct pose to ensure graceful movement. Our French sisters are always credited with wearing their clothes as if they were part of them, and that is the distinction which makes the difference between a Frenchwoman and an Englishwoman. The exhibition ought to be very interesting, because each branch of sport will be illustrated with the costumes for each; there will be horses with fair equestriannes showing the latest and most improved riding habits, lady golfers will be able to see the newest thing in skirts, golf jerseys, and boots, whilst the yachtswoman can decide whether she will adhere to the old reliable blue serge, or select some more up-to-date style for her yachting outfit this year. All these will form a series of tableaux calculated to show the different costumes being worn in the most graceful manner, the mannequins taking part in each being specially instructed for the part.

Aerial Conquest.

The conquest of the air proceeds apace. The Archdeacon prize for £2,000 has just been won in Paris by an Englishman with an aeroplane, not a dirigible balloon. His success proves that aerial flight, as distinct from navigation, is possible to man. It is a great feather in the cap of English aeronauts that this prize should have been won by an Englishman and with an aeroplane of his own design. Of course, there have been several previous attempts with aeroplanes, but their success was of such a very slight character that nothing serious came of them. However, Mr. Henry Farman seems to have really mastered the mechanical difficulties which have been the stumbling block to inventors up to the present. He intends competing for the Daily Mail prize of £10,000, and is coming to England for that purpose immediately.

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CORBIN'S BILL TO BE REPORTED TO HOUSE

Pains Taken to Ensure Bona Fides of Company—Other Legislature News.

It is probable that the bill to incorporate the Eastern British Columbia Railway Company, will be reported to the provincial parliament by the railway committee to-day. This is the much-debated Corbin bill, which passed the most contentious stage, on a division in the committee, last week. This morning the various clauses of the bill were passed by the committee, and one important amendment was effected, raising the guarantee of bona fides from five thousand to twenty-five thousand dollars, and reducing the time within which the deposit of this sum shall be made with the government from six to three months after the bill becomes law.

It is not often that the report of a standing committee is rejected by the House. In fact it is seldom that these reports contain anything sufficiently apart from mere formality to occasion any debate whatever. Nevertheless there are exceptions in the records, and in the divided opinion of the committee on this bill there is suggestion that the report may come in for some discussion in the legislature.

Invitations are being issued to the premier, the leader of the opposition and J. H. Hawthornthwaite to occupy seats on the platform at a public meeting in the A. O. U. W. hall on Wednesday night, when Joseph Martin, K. C., will deliver an address on the constitutional aspects of the Asiatic question. The meeting is being held under the auspices of the local Exclusion League.

The chances are that considerable discussion will follow the resolution proposed by Dr. McGuire, seeking an investigation into the coal mining industry, with special regard to the price charged to consumers. The inspiration for this motion apparently came from John Oliver, in commenting upon the remarks of the finance minister as to the prices obtaining in San Francisco and elsewhere, and the inference deducible therefrom that local consumers were paying too much. But there is this difference between Mr. Oliver's suggestion and the resolution proposed by Dr. McGuire. The former conveyed the idea, that as the government apparently admitted that local consumers were not being treated fairly, they should cause inquiry to be made. The latter seeks to throw the responsibility upon the Dominion government. In the Liberal camp this is looked upon as a barefaced endeavor on the part of the government to shirk a duty, which peculiarly attaches to itself, and suggestion was found for predicting that some amendment will be forthcoming when the resolution comes before the House.

DEFRAUDED UNITED STATES.

John H. Hall, of Portland, Ore., Is Found Guilty.

Portland, Ore., Feb. 8.—John H. Hall, formerly United States district attorney, was found guilty to-day on the charge of conspiracy to defraud the United States land office.

The offence is punishable by a fine not exceeding $10,000, or by imprisonment not exceeding two years. Judge Webster, counsel for Hall, was allowed 60 days in which to file notice of appeal, and was granted to May 1st in which to prepare a bill of exceptions, pending which sentence was suspended.

CREW FOR H. M. S. EGERIA.

Officers and Bluejackets Will Leave England on Friday for Victoria.

London, Feb. 10.—The new crew for the survey ship Egeria—which, as has been already announced, is to be re-commissioned for further service on the North Pacific station—will be dispatched from Liverpool on Friday next, together with the number of new officers appointed to the ship.

The full complement of the Egeria is 111 of all ranks, but, of course, that number is not going out, as there is quite a proportion who have to complete their stay on the station before being relieved. The new crew may be expected at Victoria about the end of February.

DEATH OF LADY MORLEY.

Sister of Lady Grey Passes Away in England.

(Special to the Times.)

Ottawa, Feb. 10.—Government House has been again thrown into mourning by the death of Lady Morley, a sister of Lady Grey, in England.

As a result a skating party and a ball scheduled for next week have been abandoned, while the visits to Toronto and Montreal, planned for next week, have been cancelled.